

Russia Depends on New Currency To Beat Inflation; Rationing Ends

Helpless in Face of Death



Hysterical with grief, Mrs. Ann Schultz, of Los Angeles, shakes the body of her daughter, Audrey, 3, begging the child to speak to her. The little girl was strangled to death when she fell from the top of a fence and caught her neck between the pickets.

ORDER SHRINKS TRADE-IN VALUE OF SOVIET RUBLE

Stalin Signs Measure As Government Admits Economy Is at Stake

MOSCOW, Dec. 14 (AP)—The Soviet Union announced tonight it would begin issue of new currency Tuesday and simultaneously abandon all food rationing in a program to combat inflation.

The announcement was made to the nation by the Moscow radio in a decree of the council of ministers and the Communist party. It was signed by Prime Minister Stalin and Andrei Zhukov, of the Communist party central committee.

(The action by the Soviet government was the first admission that post-war inflation had affected the controlled Russian economy. It followed by ten days the statement in Washington by Undersecretary of State Robert Lovett that something "in the nature of panic buying" had hit Russia over rumors of devaluation of the ruble.)

The decree for currency reform provided that rubles brought to banks for conversion will be exchanged at the rate of ten for one new ruble. The exchange must take place in the week Dec. 16-22.

Rationing was ordered abolished on all food and industrial goods and consumer goods was brought under unified price control. The price of bread under the new program will be 12 percent lower than the ration price, the announcement said. Beer will be 10 percent lower, but vodka and wine were unchanged from the present ration price.

The object of the new program is to combat inflation and speculation which had increased market prices of some commodities to ten or 15 times their prewar levels, the announcement added.

Abolition of rationing was received with expressions of joy by the citizens of Moscow. Yuri Levitan, the announcer who broadcast all the nation's important war communiques, read the decree affecting every one of the Soviet Union's 200,000,000 inhabitants.

In Moscow hundreds gathered at loudspeakers in public places to listen. When the import of the news dawned upon them they pounded each other on the back, shook hands and met in groups to discuss the developments.

In addition to the 12 percent reduction for bread and flour, a 10 percent cut will take place in cereals and macaroni from the present ration.

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Official Sees Dangers in New Wage Demands

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP)—A White House adviser today saw further inflationary hazard in labor's "third-round" wage increases which, it now appears, may average around 10 cents an hour.

Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of President Truman's economic advisory council, told a reporter that such a settlement level can "create an inflationary bulge if it is widespread," through higher prices passed on to the public.

But he saw "hope" that unions are showing "more restraint" in their demands and the "possibility" that managements, now confronted with greater buyer resistance as prices mount, will absorb the added expense where feasible — or at least not boost prices beyond the actual rise in labor cost.

Western Union Strike Planned by AFL Units

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Plans for a nationwide strike of Western Union employees at the height of the Christmas season were developed today by leaders of three AFL unions which threaten to quit over wages.

Local and regional chiefs of the AFL's Commercial Telegraphers union, Telegraph Employees union, and Telegraph Workers union gathered at a strategy meeting here on the eve of completion of a cross-country strike ballot.

The union heads said the vote, taken among the 50,000 Western Union employees outside metropolitan New York City, would be tallied and a strike date announced tomorrow. They planned no announcement of the result of today's session, which was limited to a closed discussion of a program of action.

The three AFL unions represent all Western Union employees except the 7000 in New York City's metropolitan office, where the CIO-American Communications association has the bargaining rights.

Hal Swann, Atlanta, head of the TEU, said the strike vote was running about ten to one in favor of the walkout, which he added would be scheduled sometime before Christmas, when the volume of business is at a peak.

The AFL unions seek a 15 percent wage increase. They called off a threatened strike the past May when the company offered them a five-cent hourly increase.

By agreement at that time, either side could open the contract on wages Oct. 1, and the union did so after giving 60 days notice to the Federal Mediation Service as required by the Taft-Hartley act.

A union spokesman said 2500 employees of Mackay Radio and Telegraph company, the Commercial Cables company and the cables division of the Western Union Telegraph company would be affected. The ACA in asking a 30 percent increase in pay, faster progression to higher pay brackets, and certain pension guarantees. Present pay rates were not disclosed.

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Gifts to 'Nancy's Fund' Carry Messages of Comfort to Spastic

From persons who have suffered come some of the most heart-warming gifts to "Nancy's Christmas Fund."

Money contributed to the fund is being used to help the rehabilitation of Nancy Ann Dagleish, 17-year-old spastic, who

months and I know how much Nancy wants to get well. Just say the gift is from a 'Nobody.'

"A little girl wants this to go from her own little pennies," writes the mother. "It's a big amount to her, but she gave it of her own accord to help someone at Christmas."

"I was so glad to read that Nancy has faith in God," wrote a devout woman from Boyertown. "This is most important. All things are possible to him who believes. This is a small sum to help. The Lord will do the rest."

Other writes: "This is Arlan's birthday money. He is a year old today. I am sure if he were old enough to realize, he would be glad to know his birthday money helped."

Some messages are short: "Trusting, hoping, praying for your very speedy recovery." "Best wishes for a full recovery." "I am sending this little gift, hoping and praying with God's speed you will recover quickly. May God bless you and help you in your earnest and sincere prayer."

Scores of times contributors have written: "I wish I could give more." Employees of the Philadelphia Dry Cleaners enclosed a little card saying "Best of luck for a speedy recovery." "We hope you reach your goal for a good cause." "Two Sisters" said: "We wish you the best the future can hold."

"Bonnie will be just six years old Dec. 22 and wishes you a very Merry Christmas," wrote her "Granny" to Nancy. "She took this money from her savings and wants to help you. She has come from the Pottstown hospital the past Thursday. She had a tonsil operation and is recuperating."

From another donor came this: "You don't know me, but my husband was your mail man. He told me many times what a nice girl you were, and always so cheerful. I know God is helping you."

Pottstown was most generous over the weekend. Generous contributors swelled the fund to \$1885.17. Their one-day donations amounted to \$685.42, which was almost as much as the total of all previous days.

The "Nancy's Christmas Fund" swelled money for raising donation of \$233.87 from employees of the Doehler-Jarvis corporation. Collections were made in seven departments on various shifts to reach that stunning total.

Several other Pottstown industries (Continued on Page Nine)

Local 644 Officers to Pen Anti-Communist Affidavits

In order to continue contract negotiations with the Spicer Manufacturing division of the Dana corporation, officers of Local 644, United Automobile Workers (CIO), will file a financial statement and sign non-Communist affidavits "as soon as possible," it was announced after a union meeting yesterday.

The two steps, required by the Taft-Hartley labor law, are necessary if the union wishes to use the facilities of the National Labor Relations board.

The international has left the decision to sign the statements to the discretion of the locals, Shaner said, but has advised compliance.

Yesterday's meeting was attended by 500 union members, who turned out to hear an explanation of the contract negotiations now under way.

Two meetings have been held with management representatives, Shaner declared, and further negotiations will follow the signing of the statements with the NLRB by union officials.

The present contract will expire Jan. 22, 1948.

It was announced that Local 644 has been moved from Region 9A to Region 9 "for economic and geographic reasons."

The action places the Spicer plant in the same region with plants in Ardmore, Allentown, Philadelphia and parts of New Jersey.

The new regional director, Martin Gerber, and the new international representative, George Kemp, both of whom work in New York City, met with union officials the past week in arranging the transfer and also attended yesterday's meeting.

Bystander Gets Rough Treatment In Tavern Brawl; Hit by Bottle

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Martin Predicts House To Approve Price Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Speaker Martin (R-Mass) said tonight the Republican-backed "voluntary" anti-inflation substitute for President Truman's standby price-wage and rationing program will pass the House tomorrow, "with votes to spare."

Meanwhile, House Republican Leader Halleck, of Indiana, said in a statement that the Truman Administration is not as interested in bringing down prices as it is in "playing politics with the subject."

If the GOP bill fails of passage, he said, Democrats "will have to take the responsibility" for defeating all economic legislation at the special session.

And in the widening economic breach between the White House and the Republican majority on Capitol Hill, Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo) fired back an accusation that the GOP has offered the country a "big business" and "monopoly" rather than an anti-inflation bill.

Meanwhile, House Republicans tentatively scheduled a "this or nothing" procedure for their substitute program.

Under this "take it or leave it" maneuver a motion would be made to suspend the House rules to bar amendments to the GOP bill, introduced by Rep. Wolcott (R-Mich), and debate would be limited to 40 minutes. This requires a two-third vote and Republicans are counting on support of Southern Democrats to swing the tally, if this maneuver is adopted.

House Democratic Leader Rayburn, of Texas, cried "Outrageous" and "Strongarm" against such a procedure.

Martin said Republican strategy will not be finally decided until tomorrow morning.

Prowler in a Rut; Tries Home 2 Times

For the second time in three days, a prowler tried to enter the home of Russell Swavely, 347 Beech street, at 9:30 o'clock last night.

While finishing his bath he saw a figure in Spruce alley, by their home, and heard his wife shout there was someone trying the back door.

Swavely said he recalled his mother, Mrs. Mary Swavely, reporting a similar occurrence two nights before, and also recalled that Spruce alley had been the site of a child's momentary abduction, for which a young man recently was arrested.

So Swavely phoned police, who sped two patrol cars there and searched the area. But the prowler had escaped, apparently by vaulting Swavely's alley gate, which was frozen fast.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair and warmer today. Considerable cloudiness and colder tomorrow.

38 Mercury 23

High Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m. 27 4 p. m. 38
5 a. m. 25 5 p. m. 35
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Earl Baldwin Dies; Was Power Behind Edward's Abdication

LONDON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Earl Baldwin, 80, the Briton who broke one king and made another, died in his sleep during the night at his home in Stourport, Worcestershire, it was announced today.

As Stanley Baldwin he served his country three times as prime minister, but nothing in his long political career approached the decision he and another man forced upon Edward VIII, now the Duke of Windsor, in December, 1936.

Baldwin and the late Cosmo Gordon Lang, archbishop of Canterbury, told King Edward then that he had only three choices — abdication or renunciation of Wallis Warfield Simpson. Edward chose abdication and married the twice divorced American. George VI, Britain's present monarch, then succeeded to the throne.

Baldwin's death came 11 years after the abdication of King Edward. For two weeks before that event, Baldwin, a friend of Edward, had worked night and day behind the scenes.

When the "abdication crisis" was over Baldwin became Earl Baldwin of Bewdley. He handed over the office of prime minister to his chancellor of the exchequer, the late Neville Chamberlain. Then Baldwin retired to Stourport, the place of his birth, to "raise pigs" and muse by the fire.

A conservative in politics, a success (Continued on Page Nine)

Traffic Signal Operating At King, Hanover Streets

Newly-installed traffic lights at King and Hanover streets went on yesterday, just in time to help make this busy intersection safer for the streams of Sunday motorists.

The corner has long been a danger spot, with drivers on Hanover street unprepared to stop before High street, and with autoists using King street as a bypass route to wait, often for many minutes, before they could pull across the street.

The lights were the third set to go into operation recently. Signals at High and Evans and at High and Adams streets first flashed on the past Tuesday night, and the fourth set, at King and Charlotte streets, is expected to begin functioning soon.

being aided by the Southeastern group, including the Eagleville sanatorium and the Norristown State hospital, which are in the Pottstown lodge's area.

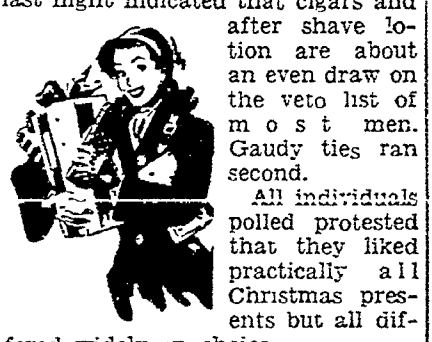
The Southeast district, which held a dinner for 220 persons in the Elks home last night after the business meeting, includes lodges in Montgomery, Berks, Philadelphia, Bucks, Delaware, Chester, Lehigh and Northampton counties.

A second major order of business was a discussion of the Elks National foundation, which has a capital of \$2,000,000.

Richard White, district deputy grand exalted ruler and a member of Philadelphia Lodge 2, joined (Continued on Page Nine)

For Photo Greeting Cards. Call Arrow Camera Shop, 80 N. Char.

Alcoholics Anonymous. Write Room 202, Security Bldg. Garbage and Ash Cans. "Go to Reidenauer's—They Have It." Artificial Christmas Wreaths. Paul I. Romig, Florist—Phone 2100. Now open at 17 N. Hanover, Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, formerly in Arcade. Parker "51" Fountain Pens. Stone's Jewelry Store, 210 High St.



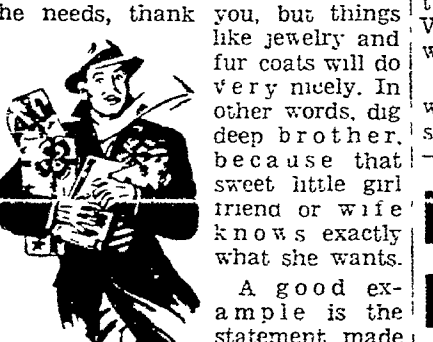
Ladies take warning! A survey last night indicated that cigars and after shave lotion are about as popular as an even draw on the veto list of most men. Gaudy ties ran second.

All individuals polled protested that they liked practically all Christmas presents but all differed widely on choice.

For instance, George Ondik, 356 Cherry street, who repairs machines at Spicer's, doesn't like plain ties. His reaction when he receives one? "I burn it," he says. Ondik went on to say he didn't like cigars but does like almost anything else.

The Rev. Donald T. Floyd's particular objection on the gift parade is cologne. "I always get it and I hate it," he declared, explaining that well-meaning parishioners frequently give him bottles.

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Suspect in Triple Murder Gives Up to Chicago Police

CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (P)—James Morelli, 20, convicted robber, sought in connection with Friday's grudge slaying of three men and wounding of two others, surrendered to police today.

Morelli was one of three men accused in the gang-type shooting spree. Another of the three, Thomas Daley, 36, an ex-convict, was slain by police early yesterday in Morelli's apartment. The third, Lowell Fentress, 21, was captured.

Morelli was turned over to detectives by his attorney, Roland V. Lissonati, at a West Side rendezvous.

The dead in Friday night's slaying were the most vicious since the St. Valentine's Day massacre of 19 years ago, were John Kuesis, 40, a second-hand furniture dealer Theodore J. Callis, 29, and Emil W. Schmeichel, 22.

Those wounded were Kuesis' brother Nick, 32, a garage owner and Frank Baker, 17, an employee of the garage.

Further Reduction in Emergency Aid Forecast in House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (P)—Emergency aid for Europe faced the prospect today of another slash of \$500,000,000 to \$100,000,000 or more before it passes Congress.

This possibility arose as an incidental sub-group of the House appropriations committee was reported today to have reached a tentative decision reducing the \$597,000,000 measure with its work finished and subject to change.

The preliminary agreement was said to be this:

1. Removal of China from the bill.
2. A cut of \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000 in aid for France, Austria and Italy.

The big question remaining: Should another \$60,000,000 or so be lopped off because China is not needed?

The subcommittee, which has not closed any results of its closed-door deliberations, will continue tomorrow. Its decisions must go before the full committee later, but chairman Taber (R-NY) is in charge of both groups and committee approval is therefore likely.

This work is on the actual appropriation bill to finance the relief. A bill authorizing the program which is designed to supply "gent needs and curbs the spread of Communism pending action on the long-range Marshall plan for European economic recovery, is ready for final passage by House and Senate.

Its adoption in both houses tomorrow is a possibility.

This authorization is set at \$597,000,000. The figure is exactly the amount the administration requested of Congress for France, Italy and Austria alone.

Plans Changes

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\$25,000 Loss Caused At Auto Plant Fire

LANCASTER, Dec. 14 (P)—Fire swept the auto and truck body works of the G. H. Koser plant at nearby Landisville early today causing damage estimated by firemen at \$25,000.

Approximately 15,000 feet of lumber stored in the three-story building was destroyed.

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Army Board Probes Cause of Air Crash

HOWARD Dec 14 (P)—An Army Air Force board today was investigating the cause of the crash of a National Guard twin-engine attack plane in which one man was killed and five others parachuted to safety.

The dead man was identified by officers at the Middletown Army air depot as Capt. Kenneth L. Lane, Sioux Falls, S. D., the pilot.

The five who escaped before the craft plummeted to earth last night with a resulting explosion that shook buildings here were Lt. J. R. Sacher, Lt. Gordon Haugen, M. Sgt. Martin P. Fitzgerald, S. Sgt. Clifford Gullen and M. Sgt. Arthur Eades, all of Sioux Falls.

The plane was attached to the 175th Fighter Squadron of the National Guard unit at Sioux Falls.

The Army board, from the Middletown depot and headed by Major Robert Sheeks, viewed the wreckage of the A26 on a farm a half-mile west of Howard, but there was no indication of what they found.

A spokesman at the depot said

FORMER SENATOR DIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14 (P)—Arthur Walsh, 51, former Democratic U. S. senator from New Jersey and confidant of the late inventor, Thomas A. Edison, and his son, former New Jersey Governor Charles Edison, died last night.

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14 JEWS SLAIN BY ARAB LEGION

King Abdullah's Troops Fire on Bus Convoy; 15 Persons Wounded

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14 (AP)—Arab soldiers of King Abdullah's fierce Trans-Jordan army, in Palestine for police duty, were reported officially tonight to have killed 14 Jews and wounded 15 others when they machine gunned a bus convoy near Tel Aviv.

Most of King Abdullah's army, which is known as the Arab legion, is on loan to the Palestine government for police duty.

Official accounts said the Jewish convoy of seven vehicles was shot up today at Beit Naballa on the Petah Tiqva-Ben Shimon road.

Legionnaires said they were attacked by grenadiers in the convoy and fired back. Jews said a truck in the caravan ran into an "unprovoked attack" in passing a legion camp.

A later official version disclosed that the driver of the truck leaped from the vehicle in the shooting and the machine crashed into the camp. Grenades were found in and near the truck and fragments of grenades inside the camp, this report said.

The same account said the convoy had been attacked earlier, before reaching Beit Naballa, and one British soldier had been wounded severely and another slightly when an army truck went to the Jews' aid.

A Palestine government spokesman said Jewish settlement police guarding the convoy apparently "lost their heads when they saw a lot of Arabs with guns and tossed a couple of grenades. The Arabs naturally believed they were under attack and returned fire."

The unofficial count of violent deaths mounted to 241 in Palestine and 363 in the entire Middle East for the 15 days since the U. N. assembly voted partition.

Although the exact boundaries of Saudi Arabia are indefinite the country contains more than 800,000 square miles.

Plains Changes

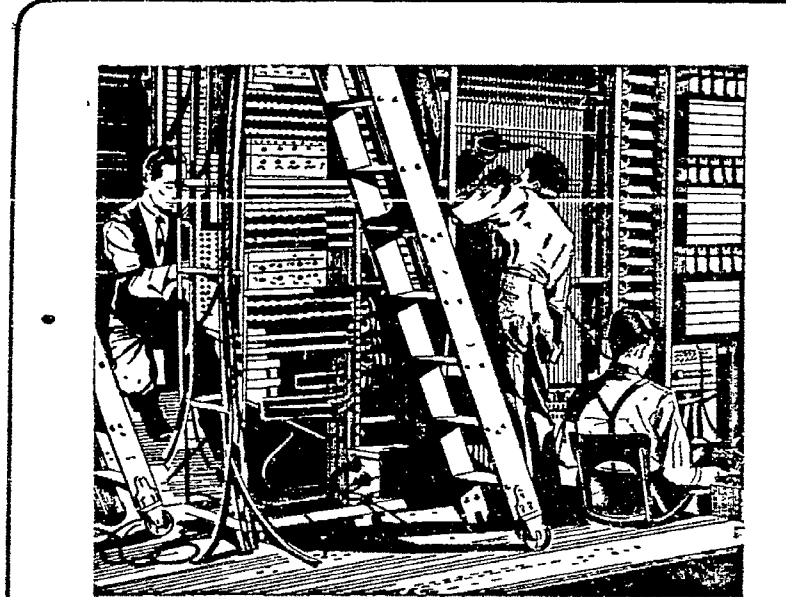
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Marshall Denies U. S., British Profit in Sale of German Goods

LONDON, Dec. 14 (P)—Secretary of State Marshall told Russia tonight that neither the United States nor Britain has pocketed "one penny" from the sale of German exports, and appealed anew for big power co-operation in reviving Germany's economy and foreign trade.

This was Marshall's answer to Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov's angry charge Friday of Anglo-American profiteering at Germany's expense.

The answer was issued midway in a weekend cooling-off period in deliberations of the Big Four foreign ministers' council.

In an atmosphere made tense by the knowledge their decisions will shape Europe's economic future for years to come, the diplomatic chiefs will resume their deadlocked discussions tomorrow. An American challenge for a Russian accounting of Soviet reparations removals still stands as the immediate issue.

In a formal statement distributed in advance of tomorrow's meeting to the Russian, British and French delegations, Marshall put the American case on record. He made these points:

"The United States 'long ago proposed a moratorium'—without success—on acquisition of foreign ownership or control of property in Germany.

It attempted in vain to obtain 'factual statements' on the changes in foreign ownership in each of the zones of occupation.

There has not been a single case of American acquisition of German business property during the entire occupation.

All goods—including both coal and timber—shipped out of Germany from the American and British zones, amounting to \$165,000,000 since the first of the year—have been sold at world market prices, with the proceeds going to buy

Gallegos Favored in Venezuela Vote

CARACAS, Venezuela, Dec. 14 (P)—Long lines of voters filed in orderly fashion into polling booths guarded by soldiers today in Venezuela's first direct election for a president and congress in her 137 years as a nation.

On the basis of past elections, Romulo Gallegos, 63, head of the left-of-center Accion Democratica party and former minister of education, was heavily favored to win a five-year term as president.

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Doehler Group Holds Annual Yule Party

Three hundred twenty men and women dined, danced and were entertained by vaudeville performers when the Doehler Fellowship club held its annual Christmas party in the Hotel Berkshire, Reading, Saturday night.

Herman Maack, founder of the club, gave each woman a gold perfume flask.

Charles Pack, vice president in charge of production at the Doehler-

Jarvis corporation, discussed insurance, hospitalization and retirement plans for the company's executives, in his after-dinner talk.

Guests at the party, at which Chauncey M. Selinger, president, was in charge, included E. J. Koegler, vice president, treasurer and controller; the company's legal representative, Joseph L. Prince; Drs. S. T. Nicholson Jr. and Lee F. Mauger, and Louis Miller, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., labor relations director of the Doehler-Jarvis plant network.

Vitamins are produced by everything that lives.

Obituaries

GEORGIANNA (BINDER) LEVINGOOD, 74, of FAGLEYSVILLE, widow of William B. Levingood, died Saturday at her home after several years of declining health.

She was born in Gilbertsville, a daughter of the late Jesse and Eliza (Lenhart) Binder. Her family moved to Willow Grove when she was a child, where she lived until she moved to Sanatoga upon her marriage 49 years ago. Her husband died three years ago, and in the past two years, she has been living at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Evans, Fagleysville.

For many years she was a member of Trinity Reformed church, Pottstown, and of the Sanatoga Grange. Gardening had been her favorite hobby and social pastime.

She is survived by three children, Mabel wife of Fred D. Evans; Mary, wife of Arthur Marquette, Sanatoga; and Herbert B. Levingood, Sanatoga.

Also surviving are three grandchildren and one great-grandson. She was the last member of her immediate family.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 404 High street. Officiating will be the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor of Trinity Reformed church. Interment will be made in Falkner cemetery, Swamp

JAMES THOMAS WEISER, one-year-old son of Thomas E. and Dorothy M. (Wensel) Weiser, of 328 WALNUT STREET, died early yesterday morning of pneumonia in Pottstown hospital. He was admitted Saturday night.

In addition to his parents he is survived by the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wensel Sr., Spring City Rd. 1.

The boy's paternal grandfather, Wilson G. Weiser, formerly of 328 Walnut street, died the past Tuesday in the Eastern Mennonite home, Souderton.

Funeral services for the boy will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street. Officiating will be Elmer G. Kolb, pastor of Mennonite Gospel mission.

Interment will be made in Brownback's cemetery, Chester county.

Funeral services for the boy's grandfather, husband of the late Ida E. (Himes) Weiser, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street.

Mr. Kolb officiated. Interment was made in Edgewood cemetery. Bearers were Carl E. Christman, Jacob Christman, Norman Kolb and John Longacre.

RACHEL L. (RHODS) CLAY, wife of Alban Clay, of 432 WALNUT STREET, who died at her home Friday night, was survived by two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Hoff-

Rescues Cat



District fire chief R. J. Tersch rescues the office cat he found hovering under boxes as he checked the Minneapolis offices of the Service Transfer Co. of LaCrosse, Wis., during a \$100,000 freight terminal fire.

man, Spring City, and Elizabeth Rhoads, at home.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. from her home. The Rev. Horace N. Oleweiler, pastor of First Methodist church, will officiate.

Interment will be made in Mt. Zion cemetery.

ANGIE (HARTENSTINE) FILMAN, 67, wife of Oscar N. Filman, of WARWICK, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at her home after six months of failing health.

A lifelong resident of Warwick, she was a daughter of the late Thomas and Hannah (Sands) Hartenstine. She had been married 46 years, and recently she and her husband had lived with their daughter, Mrs. Pauline F. Anderson, Warwick.

She was a member of East Nantmeal Baptist church.

Surviving are a son, George T., Hanover Heights, and four daughters, Mrs. Anderson; Minam, wife of Jesse P. Malin, Wynwood; Edith F., wife of Ralston G. Adamson, Pittsburgh; and Mary, wife of W. John Schwab, Germantown.

Private funeral services will be held Wednesday at 1:30 p. m. from a funeral home at 24 Monument avenue, Malvern. Interment will be made in Mt. Zion cemetery, Pottstown.

Funeral services for **JOHN JOSEPH WOGLISH, husband of the late Anna (Petzer) Woglisch, of 124 SOUTH EVANS STREET, were held Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from his home.**

Requiem high mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of the Greek Rite by the Rev. John D. Taplich, rector.

Interment was made in Holy Trinity cemetery, Stowe.

Bearers were Lewis Weiner, Albert Gondal, Joseph Yuros, Daniel Yuros, Francis Powell and Joseph Powell.

Good Wills Advance Plans for Erection Of New Fire Escape

Forty-five members of the Good Will Fire company discussed the erection of a fire escape on their building, at a short meeting held yesterday morning.

Plans have been submitted to the State for approval, and the matter has been turned over to Attorney Joseph L. Prince.

George R. Boyer, chairman of the election board, gave the official report of the company's elections, as a result of which President Leslie E. Rhoads will begin his new term next month.

Three new members were elected to membership at yesterday's meeting, at which Rhoads presided.

In the afternoon, the Good Will Marching club met to discuss plans for the purchase of uniforms.

Jack Ripple, chairman of the group, said that the club expects to participate in numerous affairs next Spring and Summer.

Remodeling of the ground floor of the firehouse is almost completed, ambulance chairman Robert Roth reported yesterday.

When the work, being done by Good Wills members, is completed, the company's service truck, now parked outside, will be brought indoors with the remainder of the equipment.

Roth also announced that 135 ambulance calls were answered during November.

Reading Man Convicted On Manslaughter Charge

READING, Dec. 14 (P)—A jury of five men and seven women convicted Frank S. Linkowski, 28, of voluntary manslaughter in the gun slaying of 24-year-old Frank Zabczyk.

The jury returned the verdict last night after nearly three hours' deliberation. Linkowski was charged with poking a rifle through the window of the Polish Falcons' club here and shooting Zabczyk as he stood at the bar.

Linkowski's sister and mother testified the defendant was asleep in bed at the time of the shooting.

KIN OF GOMPERS DIES
WILLIAMSPORT, Dec. 14 (P)—William S. Green, nephew of the late Samuel Gompers, died today at his home in Williamsport after a lengthy illness.

The estimated \$200 billion gross output of the United States in 1944 was more than twice the dollar volume of 1940.

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Eisenhower Supports Strong U. S. Army

NEW YORK, Dec. 14 (P)—General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower says the maintenance of a 'strong and healthy Army now would hasten the day when any Army no longer would be needed—when true peace has been achieved.'

Eisenhower, receiving the Pennsylvania society's gold medal award at the organization's 45th annual dinner here last night in recognition of his "leadership in defense of civilization and vast contribution to the preservation of American liberty," said the continued welfare of the Army is essential to the maintenance of order at many "far-flung stations" where there might be "disorder, anarchy and chaos" if American forces were withdrawn.

The medal was presented to Eisenhower by Senator Edward Martin (R-Pa.) who said of the general that "victory for civilization was fabricated out of his genius for organization, planning, co-operation, and his inspiring leadership."

Iron is the second most common metal in the earth's crust.

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Boxed Handkerchiefs, 59c, 75c and \$1

Beautiful Silk Slips, \$1.95, \$2.95 and \$3.95

Wool Gloves for Ladies and Children 50c, 59c, \$1 and \$1.49

Ladies' Chamoisette and Kid Gloves \$1, \$1.49, \$2.49 to \$3.49

Beautiful Silk and Wool Scarfs and Bandanas \$1, \$1.59 and \$1.95

Men's White and Colored Elbeco Shirts \$2.95 and \$3.49

Cannon Boxed Towel Sets, \$1.85 and \$3.49

Ladies' Fancy Print and Dimity Aprons \$1 and \$1.25

Ladies' House Dresses, Sizes 14 to 52 \$2.95 and \$3.49

Fancy Pillow Cases and Linen Sets \$1.95, \$2.95 to \$4.95

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Not when every mile you travel is cradled on four soft coil springs that give your car a gait as smooth and flowing as its long and tapering lines.

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It's too late, of course, to put one in your driveway for this Christmas morning. But why not see your Buick dealer, and fix things up for a future time?

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One of the hardest lessons we have
to learn in this life, and one that
many persons never learn, is to see
the divine, the celestial, the pure in
the common, the near at hand—to
see that heaven lies about us here in
this world.—John Burroughs.

Bill of Rights Day
WE TALK about "our rights." Wonder if they
mean the "Bill of Rights?"

Today has been designated as "Bill of
Rights Day." It is a fine day to become
reacquainted with the portion of the Con-
stitution known by that title.

The Bill of Rights is the first ten amend-
ments to the Constitution.

In proposing to Congress those amend-
ments, James Madison, the "Father of the
Constitution," expressed a belief that "the
great mass of the people who opposed it (the
Constitution) disliked it because it did not
contain . . . those safeguards which they
have long been accustomed to have inter-
posed between them and the magistrate who
exercises sovereign power."

Many students of our institutions consider
the Bill of Rights the most valuable part
of the Constitution. In fact, the original
Constitution probably would not have been
ratified unless the states had been assured
that something like the Bill of Rights would
be added at once.

The Bill of Rights is as the name sug-
gests, a listing of every citizen's rights. In
order to refresh our readers' memories, as
well as to remind every citizen of the wealth
of rights he enjoys under the Constitution,
we herewith reprint those first ten amend-
ments:

ARTICLE I: Congress shall make no law
respecting an establishment of religion, or
prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or
abridging the freedom of speech of the press;
or the right of the people peaceably to as-
semble and to petition the Government for
a redress of grievances.

ARTICLE II: A well-regulated militia
being necessary to the security of a free State,
the right of the people to keep and bear arms
shall not be infringed.

ARTICLE III: No soldier shall, in time
of peace, be quartered in any house without
the consent of the owner, nor in time of
war but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

ARTICLE IV: The right of the people to
be secure in their persons, houses, papers,
and effects, against unreasonable searches
and seizures, shall not be violated, and no
warrants shall issue but upon probable cause,
supported by oath or affirmation, and par-
ticularly describing the place to be searched,
and the persons or things to be seized.

ARTICLE V: No person shall be held to
answer for a capital or other infamous crime
unless on a presentment of indictment of a
grand jury, except in cases arising in the
land or naval forces, or in the militia, when
in actual service, in time of war or public
danger; nor shall any person be subject for
the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy
of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any
criminal case to be a witness against him-
self, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or prop-
erty, without due process of law; nor shall
private property be taken for public use with-
out just compensation.

ARTICLE VI: In criminal prosecutions,
the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy
and public trial, by an impartial jury of the
State and district wherein the crime shall
have been committed, which districts shall
have been previously ascertained by law, and
to be informed of the nature and cause of
the accusation; to be confronted with the
witnesses against him; to have compulsory
process for obtaining witnesses in his favor,
and to have the assistance of counsel for his
defense.

ARTICLE VII: In suits at common law,
where the value in controversy shall exceed
\$20, the right of trial by jury shall be pre-
served, and no fact tried by a jury shall be
otherwise re-examined in any court of the
United States than according to the rules of
the common law.

ARTICLE VIII: Excessive bail shall not be
required, or excessive fines imposed, nor cruel
and unusual punishments inflicted.

ARTICLE IX: The enumeration in the
Constitution of certain rights shall not be
construed to deny or disparage others re-
tained by the people.

ARTICLE X: The powers not delegat-
ed to the United States by the Constitution,
nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved
to the States respectively, or to the people.

GRAMPAW OAKLEY
PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 14.
Dear Sir n' Brother:

Wal. I see by the papers where astronomers
report sighting a comet. It na. a tail 11,000-
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it look like a celestial
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The earth might pass
through the comet's tail.
But don't be alarmed. A
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And say: Astronomers
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Pottstown's Church Calendar

Methodist
Matchette, pastor. Today, 12:30 p. m. for supper, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

Lutheran
Theodore L. F. pastor. Today, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

Baptist
First Rev. Delaine E. Stov, pastor. Today, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

Other Churches
Christian Science, 910 High street. Wednesday testimonies of Christian Science healing, 8 p. m.

Episcopal
The Rev. George A. Lineker, rector. Monday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

Presbyterian
The Rev. A. Burtis Hallock Jr., pastor. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

Reformed
Trinity Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor. Today, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Tomorrow, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Friday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Saturday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program. Sunday, 7:30 p. m. for Christmas program.

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250 Million Goal Set For United Jewish Drive

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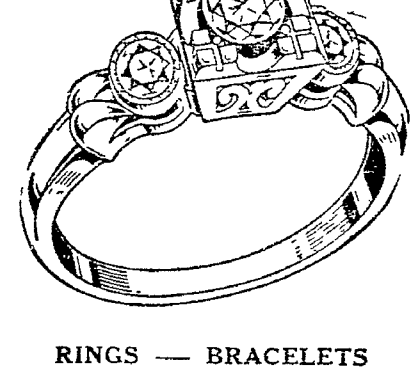
Some 1300 delegates to the United Jewish appeal's national conference voted unanimously for the 1948 quota — the greatest fund-raising effort ever attempted by any organization in the country — in spite of an accumulated debt of \$65,000,000 resulting from campaigns over the past five years.

READING PROJECT STARTS
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14 (AP) — Work begins tomorrow on improving passenger facilities at the Reading railroad terminal here. Reading President R. W. Brown said more than \$1,000,000 will be spent for improvements.

RECORD BUDGET ADOPTED
CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (AP) — The Chicago city council last night adopted a 1948 budget of \$330,000,000, an all time record figure more than \$5,000,000 above the 1947 total of \$290,840,259.

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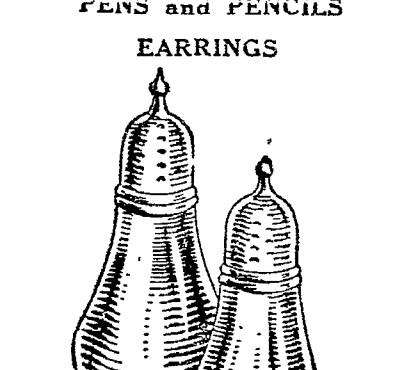
The people of the United States use about 70 buttons per capita in a normal year



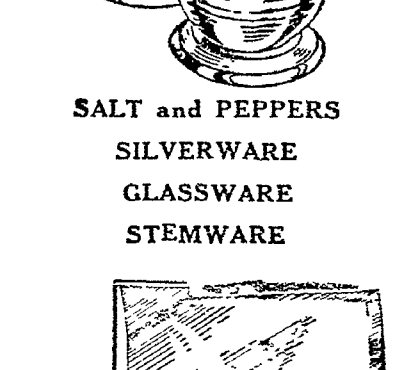
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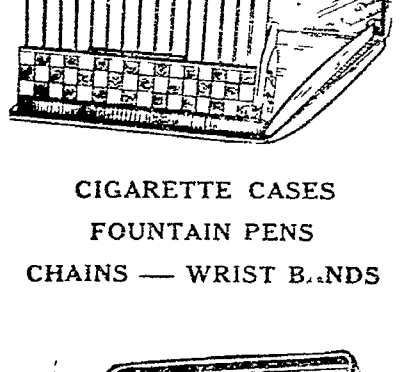
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Man Fined \$25, Costs For Violation at Fire

Pleading guilty to charges of unlawfully parking too close to a fire and fire apparatus and of unlawfully driving over a fire hose, Armond Royer, 22 North Washington street, Boyertown, was fined \$25 by Justice of the Peace Earl H. Keim the past Friday night and was ordered to pay costs of \$3.80.

The actions to which Royer pleaded guilty grew out of a fire at Earlville on the past December 7 at 11:15 p. m. The prosecutor was George U. Slemmer, fire police Number 119, of Berks County Fire police, representing Friendship Hook and Ladder company, Boyertown.

VFW Home Association Is Granted Charter

The home association of Post 3487, Veterans of Foreign Wars, of Boyertown has been granted a charter by the Berks County court. Thomas W. Leidy, attorney, represented the association.

The VFW post will distribute several baskets of groceries to needy families in Boyertown and surrounding areas, it was announced yesterday.

BIRTH ANNOUNCED
Mr. and Mrs. William Schlegel, of New Berlinville, announce the birth of a son, Leon Ernest, the past Friday at their home. Mrs. Schlegel is the former Marie Adams.

WOMAN RECOVERING
Mrs. R. Vincent Clarke, 32 South Reading avenue, is recovering from an illness which confined her to her home the past week.

It is estimated there are 190,000 motor vehicles used for milk deliveries to processing plants and consumers in the United States.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths
HOFFMAN—In Boyertown on Sunday, Dec. 14, 1947, Anna S. (Landis), widow of Clement D. Hoffman, aged 80 years. Relatives and friends are invited to services from the Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Friday at 2 p. m. Interment in Fairview cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening, 7 to 9 o'clock. (Schwenk)

SCHOENLY
We wish to thank relatives, neighbors, and friends for their many acts of kindness; for sympathy extended; and for the many beautiful floral tributes at the funeral of Calvin W. Schoenly. The FAMILY.

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Man, 65, in Hospital After Argument Develops Into Fight

An Englestown man is in Memorial hospital with abdominal injuries and lacerations about his face and other parts of his body as the result of an altercation with a fellow-employee at United Underwear mill, Rhoads avenue, Boyertown, Saturday morning.

Injured in the fight was Joseph Fisher, 65, night watchman at the plant. His alleged attacker was William Spohn, 62, of 337 East Third street, Boyertown, fireman at the mill.

It was reported that when Spohn reported for duty on Saturday morning, a difference of opinion over temperature of the building led to the altercation in which Fisher was injured.

Fisher went to the home of Patrolman Grant M. Groat, which is directly across the street at 510 Rhoads avenue from the underwear mill. He was taken to the office of Dr. Andrew J. McKane for treatment and to Memorial hospital Saturday night.

Up to last night, no charges had been preferred against Spohn.

Fisher's condition was described by the hospital as "satisfactory."

Dairy Sale Postponed Due to Lack of Bids

Sale of the plant of the former Montg-Berks Dairy company, located at the corner of Third and Washington streets, was postponed on Saturday because of the lack of bids. Some property of the company, including equipment and a tank truck, was disposed of, however.

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Boyertown Obituaries

CLARA H. (ANGSTADT) ROMIG, 79, died late Saturday night on the . . .
which she and her husband would have observed yesterday.

She was the wife of Lleuellyn M. Romig. She died at their residence near GABLESVILLE, BOYERTOWN RD 2.

A native of Rockland township, she was a daughter of the late John and Elizabeth (Hassler) Angstadt and was a member of Manatony Temple, No. 33, Ladies' of the Golden Eagle, Pleasantville, and Zion's Evangelical church, New Berlinville.

Besides her husband, there survive three daughters: Lizzie, wife of Clarence Swavely, Shanesville; Lydia, wife of Horace R. Cleaver, Boyertown RD 2; and Annie, wife of John Dengler, Wernersville; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; also four brothers and sisters: Lewis H. Angstadt, Fleetwood RD 1; Mrs. Ella Hendricks, Potstown; Rachael, wife of John Fenstermacher, Mertztown RD 1; and Charles H. Angstadt, of Kutztown.

Funeral services will be held from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, on Thursday at 2 p. m. The Rev. Charles V. Kachel will officiate. Interment will be made in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown.

ANNA S. (LANDIS) HOFFMAN, 80, 137 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET, BOYERTOWN, widow of Clement D. Hoffman, died last night at 7 o'clock at her home following a 46-week illness.

She was born in Berks county, a daughter of the late Abraham and Elizabeth (Shaner) Landis. When her husband died 10 years ago, she moved to the home of her son-in-law.

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Signal Lights Urged At Railroad Crossing After Vet Is Killed

Coroner Cooper T. Bishop Jr., Pottstown, Chester county coroner, has decided to urge the Pennsylvania railroad to install signal lights at the Wilmer grade crossing, following a fatal accident in which a Purple Heart, war veteran rode to his death by crashing into a slow moving train at the grade crossing near Pottstown late Friday night.

T Sgt James Paul Shaw, 24, an orthopedic patient at Valley Forge General Hospital, near Wilmer, succumbed in Pottstown hospital early Saturday morning, two hours after his coupe struck the third car of the train, as it moved across the highway at Wilmer.

The train, with William A. Plumley, Spring City, as engineer, was proceeding toward Pottstown, from Devault, loaded with 70 tons of lumber. Shaw was traveling west on Bridge street, also towards Pottstown.

As the train approached the highway, the brakeman H D Walsh, Nanticoke, walked to the center of the highway with a red and white light, standard equipment, to see if the highway was clear, so that the 11-car freight train could proceed. Walsh signalled the engineer. The train moved across the highway at a slow rate of speed. As the third car was crossing the road, the fireman, J Fred Barbour, Philadelphia, looked back and saw the coupe hit the freight car. Engineer Plumley stopped the train immediately and the victim was rushed to Pottstown hospital.

The impact exploded the brake cylinder under the freight car, and the right front fender of the coupe became infused in the railroad car. Shaw's home was at Piedmont, S C. He is survived by his father and a sister. He had a plastic right eye, the result of the optic having been blinded by a land mine explosion in Germany.

Twin Boro Classified

Deaths

GARBER—Near Royersford, on Thursday, Dec. 11, 1947, Retta (Kryder), wife of Charles A. Garber, relatives and friends are invited to the service at the funeral home of W D Geiser, 800 Washington St. Royersford, on Monday at 1 p. m. Interment, St. Ignace Lutheran cemetery, Trappe. Friends may call Sunday evening 7 to 9.

BULLOCK—In Norristown, on Saturday, Dec. 13, 1947, William Bullock, son of the late Jacob and Emma (Kenney) Bullock, aged 83 years. Services at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St. Spring City, on Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Interment, Zion's cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9.

LAMPLUE—In Hamburg, on Friday, Dec. 12, 1947, Laura Lamplue, aged 55 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services on Tuesday. All services in Honey Brook Methodist church, Honey Brook, at 20 o'clock. Interment adjoining cemetery. Friends may call at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St. Spring City, Monday evening 7 to 9.

Card of Thanks

The family of the late Ida May Trinley desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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2d National Guard Unit Listed for Phoenixville

It was announced Saturday Phoenixville will have another National Guard unit.

The new outfit will be Battery C, 337th AA (Anti-aircraft) Battalion, to be quartered in the Battery C armory, Morgan and Buchanan streets.

Major Joseph F Sombers, 406 High street, Phoenixville, veteran of World War II, and a former commander of the old Battery C, 107th Field Artillery, has been assigned to organize the unit. It will consist of a captain, two first lieutenants, a second lieutenant and 96 enlisted men, including 48 non-commissioned officers.

Candidates interested in joining the new unit have been asked to contact Major Sombers at his home, or at the Battery C armory, Thursday nights between 7 and 9 o'clock.

Santa Claus to Visit Grade School Students

Spring City will receive a welcome visitor this afternoon, when Santa Claus arrives in person to greet the grade school children.

The bewhiskered harbinger of a Merry Christmas will arrive at the elementary school building, Broad and Church street, at 3 15 o'clock as school dismisses for the day. After presenting a gift to each youngster, Santa will listen to music by the pupils, under direction of Mrs Arthur Hedrick Jr.

Church Directory

Grace Lutheran Church, Tonight, Girl Scouts, meeting of Christmas decorations committee, tomorrow, 3 45 p. m., weekday church school, and junior catechetical class, 7 30 p. m., Luther league, Wednesday night, 6 30 o'clock, confirmation class, 7 30 o'clock, meeting of the Women of the Church; Thursday night 6 30 o'clock, chapel choir; 7 30 o'clock, senior Scouts and senior choir.

Royersford Methodist church: Tonight, 7 30 o'clock, Boy Scouts meeting; 8 o'clock, Youth Fellowship rally at First Methodist church, Pottstown, in the form of a Christmas carol sing; tomorrow night, 7 30 o'clock, cub pack Christmas party, parents and friends invited; 8 30 o'clock, important meeting of finance committee; Wednesday night, 8 o'clock, Advent prayer meeting, subject, "Christmas Customs"; Thursday, 2 30 p. m., WCTU meeting and Christmas party, with exchange of gifts, at 249 Green street; 7 30 p. m., choir rehearsal; 9 p. m., decorate church for Christmas.

HUNTING GROUP TO MEET

Royersford Hunting and Fishing association will meet tonight, at Friendship firehall. Entertainment will be provided after the business meeting, and refreshments will be served.

YULE PARTY PLANNED

The Ladies' auxiliary of Royersford Post 6341 Veterans of Foreign Wars will have a Christmas party with its meeting tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the post headquarters, 253 Main street.

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Ferguson Slated For Inquiry Job

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Senate Republican leaders have picked Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) to head an inquiry committee which will take over work of the Senate war investigating committee when it expires Jan 31.

Ferguson, who currently has taken the lead in an inquiry into Edwin W. Pauley's grain market operations, thus will step into the role Senator Brewster (R-Me) expects to vacate.

Brewster, war investigating chairman, told a reporter he has no intention of asking for an extension of the life of the group, which was given a year the past January to finish and report on its years of poking into the machinery of the nation's war effort. Originally the committee was headed by President Truman when he was a senator.

It is his understanding, Brewster said, that Ferguson will handle inquiries as chairman of an expenditures subcommittee empowered to look into a broad field of government activities.

Although Ferguson declined to speculate in advance on his new duties, there was every indication that he wants to carry on some of the preliminary inquiries begun by the war investigation group. He may carry over part of that committee's staff to help in this work.

It is estimated that 460,000 houses in Britain were totally destroyed or rendered uninhabitable during World War II.

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Neill Convicted; Jury Asks Death In Electric Chair

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14 (AP)—Death in the electric chair was recommended by a jury for George Neill, 22-year-old Marine combat veteran, in the strangle-slaying of his 11-year-old niece, Isabelle Mallon.

The nine women and three men jurors, decided on the death penalty last night after convicting Neill of first-degree murder in the child's death although the Commonwealth asked only for Neill's "removal from decent and organized society."

The first-degree verdict was reached after three hours of deliberation.

At the request of Harry Berkowitz, defense counsel, the jury was polled individually and each member repeated the decision. Formal sentencing by Judge Byron A. Milner was postponed pending an appeal for a new trial.

Neill, who admitted he killed his niece when she threatened to tell her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mallon, that he made advances to her, prayed aloud as the jury was returning to the courtroom. When the jury foreman, Sarah M. Russell, a physician's secretary, announced the verdict, he sat down and hid his ashen face in his hands.

The girl's parents, sitting in a front-row bench, heard the verdict with no change in the fixed, grim expressions they maintained throughout the trial.

Judge Milner, dismissing the jury, said "I thank you for the service you have just rendered. You have just finished a very arduous and very solemn task and have met it fairly and squarely. May I say that you rendered an entirely fair verdict for such an atrocious crime. It is well to remove a criminal such as this boy."

The jury used the three hours of deliberation mainly to devise the severest possible penalty, Miss Russell said.

"The child suffered, and he (Neill) should, too, they believed," she said. "At no time did we consider him innocent or insane. The entire question was whether he would not suffer for a longer time if we gave him life (imprisonment) instead of the electric chair."

As soon as the jury had been polled, Neill, talking under his breath and wringing his hands, was led from the courtroom by two bailiffs.

It was two months and a week from the time on Sept. 6 Isabelle was slain on a vacant lot in North Philadelphia. Her ravished body was found Sept. 20.

Against UMT



Robert M. Hutchins (above), chancellor of the University of Chicago, lashed out against universal military training last night, branding it "a ridiculous and wasteful act of war."

Two New Members Initiated by K of C

Two new members, Paul B. Pickar and Robert E. Mauger, last night were given first degrees of initiation for membership into Father Bally Council 1192, Knights of Columbus, as the council held a regular meeting in its chambers in the Kulp building, High and Hanover streets.

The Rev. John A. Naja, the council's chaplain, congratulated the new members and later Pickar, a researcher in biophysics, led an informal discussion on science.

Announcement of two social events was made. The annual Christmas party of the council will be held at 2 p. m. Dec. 21 in the body's chambers for members' children. Gifts will be distributed by a Santa Claus and children's movies will be shown.

Thursday night the tentative Home association will sponsor a social for members. It will begin at 8 p. m.

Stephen J. Vagasky, grand knight, was in charge of the meeting, attended by 34.

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Ottaviano Re-elected Maria Assunta Head To Serve 16th Term

For the 16th consecutive time, Jerry Ottaviano was elected president of Maria Assunta lodge as 1948 officers were chosen yesterday at the lodge.

With 75 members casting ballots, Ottaviano was re-elected without opposition. The only real contest was for trustees with Frank Cipero, James Ottaviano and Oreste Dinocenzo winning the six-man race.

Of the officers, Alphonse Pacholi, vice president, was the only man chosen who was not an incumbent. It was announced that the lodge would hold its annual Christmas party for members of the organization Dec. 23 at 7:30 p. m. Registrations should be submitted by Dec. 21.

Other officers elected who will be installed Jan. 27, were Innocenzo DeMatteo, treasurer; John Baldasari, financial secretary; Tony Dinocenzo, assistant financial secretary; Louis Cimuna, corresponding secretary; Patrick Garula, assistant corresponding secretary.

Also Samuel Lucidi and Joseph Cipero, sanitary committee; Nicholas Cimuna, sergeant-at-arms; Tony Dindimo, censor; Frank Riccardi and Tony Derecola, marshals.

Nichols Is Elected District CE Officer

Douglas Nichols, 510 1/2 King street, president of Montgomery county Christian Endeavor, was elected without opposition as first vice president of The Southeastern district CE as the district held a bi-monthly meeting in Philadelphia. His term is for one year.

The district, comprising Delaware, Philadelphia, Montgomery, Chester and Bucks counties, met at Geiger Brethren church.

Also elected was Jane Hicks, president of Chester county CE, who became second vice-president of the district.

The afternoon business session was followed by a banquet in the evening.

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Two Escape Injury As Autos Collide

Drivers of two automobiles escaped injuries when their vehicles sideswiped one another on West High street at Berks street, Saturday afternoon.

James S. Ruppert, of Barto RD 1, was driving west behind a car, which in turn was following a Pottstown-Stowe bus.

As the bus turned to enter Berks street the driver of the first car, who did not stop after the accident, swerved to the left, forcing Ruppert to cross the center line.

As he did, his car collided with that driven by Milton J. Blanski, of Reading, eastbound in the second lane.

The left front fender and left running board of Ruppert's car were damaged, while both left fenders and the side of Blanski's car were damaged.

Motor Patrolman Thomas Lawler and Patrolman Robert Scheidt investigated the crash.

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3 Holdup Men Have Close 'Shave'

KING OF PRUSSIA, Dec. 14—A million to one coincidence tonight almost trapped three young men wanted for robberies in Chester and Montgomery counties the past four days.

Nelson Campbell Upper Merion constable, entered the store of a relative near here, went to the back and called Devon State police for a description of the trio.

Two men entered the store unseen by Campbell a third waited outside. The man by the counter heard Campbell repeating the description of the thugs.

The man by the counter something Campbell came out to see what was wrong, and saw speeding away the same black sedan with

Danish Swimming Star Jailed for Smuggling

former Danish swimming star Jenny Kammergaard, 25, and her fiancé, a fisherman, were recently sentenced to 40 days imprisonment under the aliens act. Some weeks ago they were arrested at the coast of the sound between Denmark and Sweden when trying to smuggle some Latvian displaced persons from Denmark to Sweden in a motorboat. During the trial both admitted having smuggled several groups of Baltics across the sound.

the same license number he had just heard described by Devon.

Early today the trio had entered Carter's restaurant, Malvern RD 1. One threatened Eleanor Carter, 21, with a gun, while another took \$30 from the register.

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SUBWAY FOR BRAZIL
SAO PAULO, Dec. 14 (AP)—Karl Terzaghi, of Harvard university, is studying here the building of a Sao Paulo subway under the patronage of the state government.
Terzaghi, Czechoslovakian born, will deliver a series of lectures on subway construction.
VERY OPTIMISTIC
LINCOLN, Ill., Dec. 14 (AP)—The local Optimist club, apparently looking for the bright side in everything, spent a recent meeting with each member reading his obituary.
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GIFT GIVERS —

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pastor cannot use loud ties but nevertheless cherishes no yen for them. "And I never have to worry about socks," he said, answering a query. "My father is in the hosiery business and I get all I want."

James McHenry, 238 Oak street, who retired from railroad work after 48 years and now drives a grocer's truck part time, said, "I don't like cigars; I smoke cigars."

He does not care for after shaving lotion either, he says, explaining cryptically that he uses a shaving mug. Asked about sports equipment, he quipped, "Have you ever known an Irishman who wasn't a sportsman?"

John Groth, 130 East Third street, cleaning superintendent at Doelber's, commented no further than to say that he disliked cigars and smoked a lot of cigars.

Athletic director Edward Y. Good, of the Senior High school, has but one Christmas phobia: Bow ties. He gets enough every year to make a vest, he says.

Joseph K. Miller, for 24 years a needle inspector at the Roversford Needle Works, had a hint to throw at prospective present-buyers: "I don't smoke cigars, cigars or a pipe and I don't chew either."

He added he was not hard to please and uses most of the ties he gets. "I wish I got more," he added wistfully.

William McCabe, English teacher at the Senior High school, pointed out that he used everything he got and then remembered after shave lotion. "I never do use that stuff," he said.

CONCERT DRAWS —

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lonesome reels and fogs of yesterday, was aided by an accordion accompaniment played in striking fashion by Charles Hunsberger. "Jingle Bells" was sung in a rollicking fashion, which pleased the audience.

A praiseworthy contribution to the success of the event was provided by Miss Freda Schindler, popular contralto. Her number was "Little Jack Horner." The encore was "The Sleigh," a descriptive number.

"Estradita" was played as a trombone solo by Ralph Bower, who displayed pleasing tonal qualities and truthfulness of pitch.

The band deserves special commendation for its numbers. Its playing of a portion of Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony" was very creditable. Old Christmas hymns also were played in a manner unusual for bands, special attention being paid to phrasing and chord blending.

Fred Waring's arrangement of "Night Before Christmas" was given by the band and band chorus. It was a pleasing finale to the program.

The band also was heard in the omnipresent tune at Christmas time, "White Christmas." This Irving Berlin composition has become a

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WOMEN'S GIFTS —

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really delighted when I receive jewelry or silverware."

When asked what she didn't want for Christmas, Mrs. A. Emery Lord, 853 Spruce street, exclaimed, "I hope my husband hears this! I don't mind getting household articles from anyone else but him. I think a husband should present a wife with only personal gifts."

An unusual situation developed one year in the home of Mrs. Clement Smith, 174 North Charlotte street, clerk in a local millinery store, when she received two wrist watches—one from her husband and the other from a friend.

Deciding that she liked the watch given to her by the friend, Mrs. Smith exchanged the watch given to her by her husband for a diamond bar pin. "Now," she says, "the most gift she ever receives unless I go with him to buy it."

As for white elephant presents, Mrs. Smith said that she has absolutely no use for dusting powder and is a little tired of getting nighties that are too short.

Miss Jean Griswold, 335 North Evans street, also agrees that too many hankies are troublesome. "Maybe I ought to start a collection," she giggled.

"I hate to have someone spend a lot of money on me on something I'll never use. I'll take a practical gift any day," declared Mrs. L. A. Kenaga, 1373 Queen street, who had just received a box of note stationery that can only be used at Christmas time. "It's lovely paper," she said, "but really, I'll never use it."

But don't think the "grown-ups" are the only ones with troubles. Barbara Craig, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Craig, 370 North York street, is "so tired of getting those old story books and things."

Mrs. Craig said that now Barbara has the desire to use perfume and of all things—she wants a sewing machine!

"But I'd just love a puppy dog, too," added Barbara.

And there you have it. Pottstown women can be just as fickle about presents as they can about men, so you'd better think twice about that gift for the "little" woman.

fixture in Yuletide musical circles. "Pop Goes the Weasel" aroused the "fistibilities" of the audience. Other band numbers appropriate to the season were "Snow Carnival" and "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town."

O. C. Beacraft was announcer.

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11-Year-Old Girl Is Bitten by Dog

Dolores Borgiet, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Borgiet, 1015 South street, was treated in the Memorial hospital dispensary yesterday noon after she was bitten by a dog on her left leg.

She was released after treatment of the small puncture wound, which hospital authorities called "very superficial."

The girl was delivering envelopes for St. Aloysius Catholic church in the neighborhood of South and Eden streets, when the dog attacked her.

"She screamed for help, but no one came," Mrs. Borgiet explained, "and Dolores ran all the way home. I treated her the best I could until her father took her to the hospital."

"The slacks she was wearing kept her from getting a really bad bite," the mother added.

According to police, the dog was owned by Jack Matthews, 858 South street, who was ordered to have his large, white and brown animal examined by a veterinarian for possible rabies infection.

The incident was investigated by Patrolman Joseph Thees.

Doctor Says Million in India Are Lepers

NEW DELHI, Dec. 14 (P)—Dr. Jyoti Mehta, director-general of India Health Services, says approximately 1,000,000 of the world's estimated 5,000,000 lepers are in India, and that some 200,000 of India's lepers are considered to be infectious.

"In heavily infected areas," he said, "the population affected may range from two to five percent, while in individual villages the proportion may be as high as 10 to 15 percent."

NEW RAIL THIEF
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BALDWIN DIES —

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cessful ironmaster in business and a steadfast churchman, Baldwin often was described as the "most English of Englishmen."

Baldwin served as prime minister from May 25, 1923, to Jan. 22, 1924; from Nov. 6, 1924, to June 4, 1929, and from June 7, 1935, to May 28, 1937.

In 1926 Baldwin smashed the general strike in Britain and then refused to take punitive measures against the organizers. He also was instrumental in giving 5,000,000 women the vote by his equal franchise bill, which put all women from 21 to 30 on the polling lists.

In May, 1929 the voters, including women, voted him out of power and the late Ramsay MacDonald came in as head of a labor administration.

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Royal Couple Returns To Buckingham Palace

LONDON, Dec. 14 (P)—Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip stepped off the Aberdeen express today and drove off to Buckingham palace. Elizabeth, with a pink scarf flapping over her brown hair, and Philip, hatless and overcoatless in the chilly dawn air, were coming back to the workaday world of royalty after 23 days of honeymoon seclusion.

After some time at Buckingham palace they drove to Windsor castle for a family party observing King George's 52nd birthday.

Tomorrow, Philip—still on the active list as a lieutenant in His Majesty's Royal Navy—will report for duty in the admiralty operations division.

Elizabeth will oversee redecoration of Clarence House, an old mansion overlooking St. James park, where they will live. Meantime, the young couple will live with their "in-laws" at Buckingham palace.

While Philip got all set to earn his \$51.80 a week as a naval lieutenant—including a marriage allowance of \$17.50, parliament was set to fight over whether he should have a proposed \$10,000 (\$40,000) a year as a royal duke and husband of the heiress presumptive to the throne.

A majority of an all-party parliamentary committee proposed the amount, but five of the nine laborite members of the committee insisted he should have only half that much and that the princess should get only \$35,000 (\$140,000) instead of the \$40,000 (\$160,000) which the committee majority favored.

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NEW CURRENCY —

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ration price. Meat, fish, fats, sugar, confectionary goods, salt, potatoes and vegetables will remain at the present ration price.

Tea, milk and certain other items were increased over their present "too low" ration price, but reduced well below the prices charged in the unrationed "commercial" stores.

The dispatch gave no specific prices for any item.

All wages and salaries were untouched by the currency reform. All institutions were ordered to pay their employees wages and salaries for the first half of December between Dec. 16 and 20, thus assuring everyone of having enough currency to make an adjustment from the old to the new system.

A plan that rationing would be abolished was given out Dec. 9 by Georgi Malenkov, a member of the politburo, but nothing was said about inflation and speculation until today's broadcast.

The old ruble was held at 5.3 to the dollar in foreign exchange. The diplomatic exchange rate, at which diplomats change their money, was 12 rubles to the dollar.

Most of the best tea comes from areas where the rainfall exceeds 100 inches a year.

DISTRICT ELKS —

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with Wilbur Warner, of Lehighton, a past State president, in asking for continued support of the foundation, and praised the job already done by the Southeast district.

The ten lodges represented at yesterday's session grant scholarships to deserving young men and women as their part in the program, and in the past year awarded 12 one-year scholarships.

Throughout Pennsylvania, \$40,000 is sought to enlarge the Elks' Foundation, of which Pottstown's share, \$4500, already has been raised.

The next meeting of the Southeastern district will be held in Allentown in March, 1948.


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Hartung-Schaeffer Betrothal Revealed At Birthday Party

Mr and Mrs. Jay J. Hartung of Pottstown RD 2, announced the engagement of their daughter Lucille, to Mr. Donald R. Schaeffer of 451 High street, Saturday night at a birthday party in honor of Mr. Schaeffer in the Hartung home.

The engagement was revealed in a telegram sent by Mr. and Mrs. Hartung to Mrs. Rosa, New Mexico. Mrs. M. Hartung are on a motor trip to Mexico and California. In California they will visit Mrs. Hartung's two brothers.

The telegram was read to the group by Mr. Kenneth J. Hartung, of Kenilworth, a brother to Miss Hartung.

Miss Hartung is employed in the office of the Vaughan Knitting mills Mr Schaeffer is a pre-theological student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown.

Games were played and a buffet supper was served at a later hour on an attractively decorated table

with many white candles and Christmas greens.

Guests present were Mr and Mrs. William Miller Jr. Mr Woodson Bickel, Miss May Kuippenbach Mr. Irvin Keller, Miss Katharine Hanley, Miss Maitha Kuchler Mr Angelo Pomponio, Miss Susan Kuchler, Miss Dorothy Barkel, Mr and Mrs. Barry Nyman and Mr and Mrs. Oliver Bealer.

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The marriage, which was never a happy one, has lasted for 21 years, and the son is 20 years old. Apparently, the chief cause of conflict has been financial. The husband was niggardly about giving his wife money for any purpose at all, even to buy the clothes she needed or to pay a doctor when she was sick. In fact, he didn't like her to be sick at all, and when she became so, it irked him to such an extent that he went away and let her get along as best she could. On the other hand, if it was his turn to be ill, he not only forgot that it cost money to have a doctor, and had one come in a hurry, but he insisted on nursing care from his wife.

In order to have a little something of her own with which to make occasional personal purchases, this wife at one time went to work. This didn't please the husband either. He didn't want his wife to work, but, if she insisted on doing so, he, in his turn, demanded that the money she earned be turned over to him.

Tired, tense, and nervous from the strain of living with such a man, she wants to leave him and make a better life for herself. But because the son doesn't want the home broken up, she is afraid he will turn against her if she makes a move of this kind.

Now it seems to me that any boy who has lived for 20 years in the sort of home this must be, would be on his mother's side. I should think, moreover, he were just about old enough to do something positive about making his mother's life a happier one. It would probably be impractical for him to speak to his father about the situation, but if he made a special point of always being loving and considerate and thoughtful toward his mother, it might well go a long way toward making his father conscious of the difference in their attitudes and shaming him into different behavior. He might even carry this to the point of handing over a little money to his mother himself. He could also make a special point of giving her loving attention when she was ill. Unless the father is so completely wrapped up in his selfishness and mean-spiritedness that he sees nothing outside his

own restricted range, it should certainly jolt him to be shown up so unfavorably by his own son.

"I love my son dearly and want his love and respect," this woman says. But it seems to me that if this 20-year-old is a young man of any insight and intelligence, he would respect his mother more if she stood on her own feet and refused to be victimized by her husband, than if she drifted along from year to year meekly accepting whatever sort of treatment the man felt like handing out to her.

Whether she leaves him or not, I hope this woman will take a stand in the matter of getting her hands on some money for her own needs and desires. If she cannot get it from her husband, and can go out and earn it for herself, as she has

Former Actress Becomes Mother for the Third Time

TORRANCE, Calif., Dec. 14 (AP)—Actress Rosemary De Camp became a mother for the third time today. An eight-pound daughter, Valerie, was born to the wife of Inglewood City Judge John Shidler. They have two other daughters, Margaret, four, and Martha, 16 months.

Rosemary De Camp is a former school teacher who gave up a teaching job to do dramatic skits over the radio. Eventually she went to Hollywood for a movie career.

In the past, she should do that. And if her son goes back on her because she has the gumption to stand up for herself, he will only prove himself to be as little of a man as his father.



De Camp

Social Calendar

Business Girls club—Meeting tonight at 9 o'clock in the YWCA. Members were asked to bring donations for the Christmas basket and gifts to be exchanged.

Woman's club of Christ church—Christmas party tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the parish house.

Ladies' auxiliary of the American Legion—Christmas party tonight at the post home.

Truth Seekers Bible class of Shenkel Reformed church—Meeting tonight in the home of Mrs. Betty Yocom, Cedarville.

JWV Ladies' auxiliary—Election of officers tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the Synagog.

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Registration Near End For Country Club Party

Tomorrow is the last day children of the Brookside Country club can register their name, age and hobby for the Christmas party to be held on Saturday afternoon from 2:30 o'clock to 4 o'clock.

The party has been arranged by Mrs. J. Robert Gray, general chairman of junior activities at the club. Aiding the chairman are Mrs. Kenneth Moyer, Mrs. Joseph Tagert and Mrs. Harry Schurr.

Hanover Lutheran church—Meeting tonight at the church.

Young Ladies' Bible class of Emmanuel Lutheran church—Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Douglas Arndt, Colebrookdale road. Cars will leave the church at 7:30 o'clock.

Barbara Shirey Engaged To Mr. Paul Bolonski

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Shirey, of 929 Walnut street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Barbara, to Paul Bolonski, 106 Race street, Stowe, at a family gathering Saturday night at the Shirey home. No wedding date has been set. Miss Shirey is employed in the office of Vaughan Knitting mills and Mr. Bolonski is employed by the Firestone Tire and Rubber company.

First Methodist Group Stages Christmas Party

A Christmas party was recently held by members of the Young Adults group of the First Methodist church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hale, Hanover Heights.

The highlight of the evening was a contest to see who could think of the most novel way of wrapping 50 cents.

Other games were played and a Christmas story was told.

Hostesses in charge of refreshments were Miss Dorothy Cannell,

Mrs. Herbert Cannell and Mrs. Hale. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Himes, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cannell, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lachman, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wing, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Crossman, Mr. Mark Walters, Mr. James Marquette, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sands, Mrs. Helen Meyers, the Rev. and Mrs. Horace Oewiler, Miss Ruth Zimmerman, Miss Evelyn Rahn, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Swantwood and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pike.

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Summons to Head Stowe Quoit Club

Willard S. Summons, of West High street, Stowe, was elected to his first full term as president of the Stowe Quoit Club yesterday afternoon.

Summons succeeded Wayne G. Trolinger as president of the past summer when Trolinger resigned. In yesterday's election there was no opposition to Summons' election, in which 30 club members took part.

Also elected without opposition were Joseph Reiter, vice president; Stephen M. Seifinger, secretary; and George R. Boyer, treasurer. Seifinger and Boyer are incumbents.

Directors chosen without a battle included Henry W. Kulp, Lewis Tutor and Adolph G. O'Bara, an incumbent.

In close voting from the floor, the contest for trusteeships had to be decided by the votes of the four major officers. The winners were Warren Bechtel, Arthur Dietrich and Boyer, who was the only incumbent.

The new officers of the club took office yesterday and will serve a one-year term.

E. J. Higgins, 83, Dies; Headed Salvation Army

SUMMIT, N. J., Dec. 14 (AP)—General Edward J. Higgins, 83, third international leader of the Salvation Army, died today in Fair Oaks, a sanitarium after a month's illness.

Before his illness he lived in High Oaks, the Salvation Army rest center for retired officers, near Plainfield, N. J.

Elected to succeed the deceased General Bramwell Booth in 1929, Gen. Higgins relinquished the post in 1934 over the protest of Army leaders throughout the world, because of ill health. He was succeeded by General Evangeline Booth.

Gen. Higgins was the first man outside of the Booth family to head the Salvation Army. He joined the movement at 18 and spent six of his 47 years in its service in the United States.

President of Philippines Ordered to Take Rest

MANILA, Dec. 14 (AP)—President Manuel A. Roxas' personal physician today ordered him to take a five-week rest at the cool mountain resort of Baguio.

The 57-year-old Philippines executive is known to have high blood pressure. He has had for several days after the Nov. 11 election.

Roxas recently told reporters that rest, good food, a special diet and a cut in his cigarette consumption from four packs a day to one had restored his customary vigor.

His physician, Dr. Jose Ojeda, advised him to stay in Baguio until well after the holidays, however.

HITLER AIDE DIES

BERLIN, Dec. 14 (AP)—The German news agency Duna said today that Walter Schwarz, 72, former national treasurer of the Nazi party, has died in an internment camp at Rechenburg, in the U. S. occupation zone of Germany.

COAL PRICE INCREASED

LONDON, Dec. 14 (AP)—The national coal board announced today that it has increased the price of exported British coal by 25 shillings (\$5) a ton, but declined to disclose other part of its price changes.

Five Persons Die In Cottage Blaze

STOCKTON, Calif., Dec. 14 (AP)—A mother, her three children and her young sister were burned to death in a fire that destroyed their four-room cottage on the outskirts of Stockton early today.

The dead were Mrs. Earline Scott, 27; her daughters, Beverly Ann, 7, Brenda Marlene, 5, and Brenda Fay, 3; and her sister, Lorraine Mays, 14.

Two neighbors who saw the blaze at 9:30 a. m. attempted to crash the front door of the house but were driven back by the intense heat. The rear of the cottage already was a mass of flame.

About 100 yards away Earl Mays, father of Mrs. Scott and Lorraine, was asleep in an auto trailer, unaware of the tragedy.

Officers said an overheated water heater apparently caused the blaze. The water tank exploded as the fire apparatus arrived.

Judges Among Victims In Daring Train Hold-up

CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (AP)—A Negro robber boarded a New York Central passenger train last night as it neared its downtown destination, menacing occupants of the last two cars, including several judges and attorneys, and escaped with an estimated \$500 cash and some jewelry.

The hold-up man's victims included Judges Roger Kiley, Joseph Burke and John C. Lewie, of the Illinois Appellate court, Alex J. Resa, former Illinois corporation counsel and now assistant Chicago corporation counsel, and Benjamin Palmer, professor of law at the University of Minnesota.

Judge Kiley, a former Notre Dame football star who estimated about \$350, several watches and a ring were taken from passengers of the rear car, said the judges and lawyers had boarded the train at South Bend, Ind., after attending a meeting of the National Law Institute at the University of Notre Dame.

JAPS BOOST COAL OUTPUT

TOKYO, Dec. 14 (AP)—The Kyodo news agency reported today that coal mines of Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island, produced 275,712 tons in the first ten days of December, the largest amount in any such period since the surrender.

NOAH NUMSKULL

TWO DOLLARS OR I'LL DRIVE THE OLD TOOTH BACK IN!

DEAR AGENT, SHOULD A DENTIST CHARGE FOR PULLING A TOOTH IF HE ADVERTISES, "TEETH EXTRACTED WITHOUT PAIN IN 10 SECONDS"? N.H.W. FAYETTE, OHIO.

DEAR NOAH: PLEASE PLOW HORSES ALWAYS SAID BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO LISTEN TO ALL THE FARMERS WHOAS? MRS. CECIL P. JONES, TOLL GATE, WVA.

It's Queer But True

INSECTS ANNUALLY DEVOUR OR SPOIL \$995,000,000 WORTH OF FOOD CROPS IN THE UNITED STATES!

SCRAP. INDIAN. THE BIGGEST BIRD. HAVE LIVED ON EARTH FOR 100 MILLION YEARS. VANISHED BECAUSE OF ITS HABIT OF EATING ITS OWN EGGS WHEN FOOD WAS SCARCE.

WERE EVIDENCE ORIGINALLY THE SOLE INHABITANTS OF ALASKA? NO INDIANS LIVED IN ALASKAN VILLAGES.

FOUR-LEGGED TREE—THE TRUNKS JOIN A DOZEN FEET ABOVE THE GROUND. DORCHESTER, MASS.

ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern

THE SUSPENSE OF WAITING FOR THE QUARANTINE TO END ON OUR NEWSBOY'S MEASLES IS MAKING A WRECK OF ME!

IF THE LAD DOESN'T DISCOVER ANY \$1000 HIDDEN IN THE SHIP WHAT ABOUT MICE?

THEY MAY GET INTO THE BOAT AND GNAW UP THE MONEY FOR A NEST! \$50 BILLS—OH LAWS!

BACK AND FORTH—

The Old Home Town by Stanley

SON, YOU'D BETTER HIDE THAT HAT AND TAKE OFF YOUR SHOES, OR YOUR MAM WON'T KNOW YOU—THAT WAY YOU'VE CHANGED!

BACK ROAD FOLKS—JUNIOR COMES HOME—

TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Chums
- Pellets of lead
- A famous canal
- Boy's nickname
- Period
- Pitcher
- Sits carelessly
- Except
- Mineral spring
- Fruiting spike of a cereal
- Expression of sorrow
- Attempt
- Ruthenium (sym.)
- Vapor
- Fruits of the palm
- Argent (sym.)
- Young dog
- Gasp
- Laboratory (abbr.)
- Egyptian god
- Place
- Reservoir for junk
- Sullen (Scott.)
- Scarf
- Wheaten flour
- Egyptian god
- Gone by
- Negative votes

DOWN

- A cherished animal
- Beards of rye
- Micoid
- Prophecy
- One of a ship's personnel
- Fat
- Norse god
- Likely
- Fundamental
- Sphere
- Impaired by disease
- Juice of a plant
- Bark
- Fur-bearing animal
- Chest of drawers (Hyphen.)
- A church bench
- Animal and plant life
- of a region
- Commenced
- Indehiscent fruits
- Capital (Peru)
- Skip, as a stone on water
- Half ems

Natoday's Answer

41. Capital (Peru)

42. Skip, as a stone on water

44. Half ems

CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

MKF KMSX HG KHPKX ZMNP, ZDXY YXZ HG JMNX ENXVXNNXF—GEXYGXN.

Saturday's Cryptoquote: IT IS GREAT RICHES TO A MAN TO LIVE SPARINGLY WITH AN EVEN MIND.

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HELP—SPUD—HELP—

UP WITH HIM, TUCKER—UP—

OH, HOW I HATE SLEEP!

...I MIGHT AS WELL CRAWL FROM HERE ON... I'VE ONLY A HALF BLOCK TO GO!

HOME AT LAST!!

(YEOW!!)

WHAT A DAY TO WAX THE FLOORS

A SENOR O'BRIEN IS INQUIRING FOR TALON.

REMEMBER—AFTER DINNER—BE SURE TO BRING O'BRIEN AND HIS SISTER HERE.

WHAT A PLEASURE, MY FRIEND, TO SNATCH A FEW MOMENTS OF RELAXATION TO TALK WITH YOU OF YOUR WONDERFUL CITY OF NEW YORK!

ONE HUNDRED BUCKS FOR A BAND? WE HAVEN'T GOT THAT KIND OF MOOLA!

AND CALL THE DANCE OFF! DON'T BE A DRIP! THERE ACTUALLY MUST BE SOME WAY TO DIG UP THE MONEY?

GET A LOAD OF THE BEAST! IF WE HAD HER HEAD, WE COULD THINK OF SOMETHING!

WHAT'S SHE ALWAYS CRAMMING FOR, ANYWAYS?

BOYS! SO SHE CAN BE A SUBJECT OF HOBBY, THEY LIVE TO TALK ABOUT! THINKS THAT MAKES THEM WITH THEM!

'THE BRAIN'—WITH THE RIGHT ANSWERS. YOWIE! THAT'S IT! WE'LL CASH IN! SHE DOESN'T KNOW IT, BUT SHE'S GOING TO FINANCE OUR HOPE!

SHE READS AND USES HER EARS FOR BOOK ENDS!

WE'LL NOT GET IN ANY OF THESE FRONT WINDOWS, THEY'RE ALL LOCKED.

WHAT ABOUT THESE ON THE SIDE?

IS IT GIVING?

YEP! SHE'S ALL BUT OPEN!

NOW WHO'S GOING IN FIRST?

PAW—I'M AFERRED THEY YALLER VAWKLEYS ARE AIMIN' TO SHOOT YORE COUSIN BLUNDERBUSS

IT WOULDN'T SURPRISE ME NONE IF ONE O' TH' SNEAKY VARMINTS WUZ UNDER TH' BEDSTID THIS VERY SECUNT

COLONEL HOOVER, ARE YOU AND YOUR WIFE STILL MINDIN' BABIES FOR A FEE?

TEMPORARILY, AT LEAST, CASPER, WE HAVE DISCONTINUED OUR ACTIVITIES AS BABY SITTERS.

NOBODY'S CALLED FOR THE CUTE BABY THAT WAS LEFT WITH US LAST WEEK, AND WE HAVEN'T ANY IDEA WHO SHE BELONGS TO.

SO THIS IS THE MYSTERIOUS LITTLE LADY? MY, BUT SHE'S CUTE, SOPHIE.

TOOTS, I'M WORRIED SICK—I FORGOT TO MARK DOWN THIS BABY'S ADDRESS—I WONDER IF HER MOTHER FORGOT WHERE SHE LEFT HER?

GEE... IT'S GOOD TO COME AGAIN!

PSWELL!

HI, GOOFY!

OH... I WAS JUST BRINGIN' YOUR LAUNDRY BACK, MICKEY!

YOU KNOW BEGA BEEVA!

PHOW DOO!

MICKEY... YUH KNOW PURN WELL I DON'T BELIEVE THAT CRITTER REALLY EXISTS!

AW, GOOFY...!

THERE GOES THE PHONE!

NOW'S MY CHANCE!

I SHOULD FREEZE

Browns Take 2d Title, Eagles, Cards Win

NEW YORK, Dec. 14 (AP)—The Cleveland Browns wrapped up their second straight All-American Football conference championship today while developments in the older National league postponed title decision in that circuit until two weeks hence.

The Browns, their locomotion greased by Otto Graham's fine passing arm, rolled over the New York Yankees, 14 to 3, in the divisional playoff before 61,870 in Yankee stadium.

Meanwhile, the Chicago Cardinals captured the National's Western division title by stunning the defending champion

Chicago Bears, 30-21, and the Philadelphia Eagles moved into a tie with Pittsburgh for the Eastern top by subduing Green Bay's Packers, 28-14.

Now the Eagles must play Pittsburgh's Steelers, who finished their slate last week, in a draw-breaking post-season game next Sunday in Pittsburgh to determine the Cardinals' foe for the NFL's championship contest at Chicago Dec. 28.

Graham, a Northwest product, scored the first Brown touchdown on a quarterback sneak in the opening period and set up the second in the third quarter with bull's-eye passing to Edgar (Special Delivery) Jones and Lewis Mayne. He completed 14 of his 21 heaves for 112 yards.

The Yankees, runner-up to the Browns the past year, scored in the second period on a field goal by Harvey Johnson.

The Chicago Cardinals nailed up their first Western crown in the National league by gaoing hold the Bears' throats in the first few minutes of the game and stubbornly refusing to let go. A record Wrigley field football crowd of 48,632 turned out to see the defeat of the Bears, seven times the league champion.

The Cardinals scored the first time they got the ball on an 80-yard pass play from Paul Christman to Boris Dumancheff, the latter running 50 yards with the snatched oval. The Cards moved on relentlessly from that point to track in a 14-0 lead in the first few

minutes and to push ahead at intermission, 27-7.

The Bears' brilliant quarterback, Sid Luckman, was harassed throughout the game by a fast-charging Cardinal line. He completed ten of 27 passes but had four heaves intercepted. The Bears tallied twice in the final period.

Steve Van Buren personally ushered Philadelphia into a tie for the National's eastern lead, scoring three touchdowns and setting a new league record for ground coverage in the 28-14 rout of Green Bay.

Van Buren ran up 96 yards rushing for a seasons total of 1008 yards that eclipsed the 1004 yards set by Beattie Feathers with the Chicago Bears in 1934.

The Eagles scored single

touchdowns in the first and second periods and two in the third. Green Bay tallied in the second and third.

The Washington Redskins wound up a rather dreary season with a 40-13 victory over the Boston Yanks. Sammy Baugh threw three touchdowns passes, while completing 25 of 41 tosses. Jim Casagula added two touchdowns for the Redskins on the ground.

The Los Angeles Rams closed their National league season by romping over the New York Giants, 34-10, before 24,050 fans at L. A. Anzeles. The Rams, who scored 24 points in the first half against the Giants, finished in fourth place in the Western division with a 6-4 record and six league

CAGE TOURNEY AT YMCA OPENS NEXT MONDAY

Foul Shooting Contest Also Scheduled; Prizes Await the Winners

Invitations for the 2d annual YMCA Christmas Basketball tournament have been sent to cage teams in Pottstown and surrounding area, and Jerry Seeders, chairman of the tournament committee, announced that the first games will be played next Monday night.

Tournament games will be played Monday night and Tuesday of next week and also Monday and Tuesday of the following week on the YMCA court. Final playoff games are expected to be played on Dec. 30. Seeders said that he expects to have nearly 15 teams entered in this year's tournament.

The committee chairman also announced that if there are any teams in Pottstown or surrounding area that did not receive an invitation and would like to enter the tourney, they should send a representative to the YMCA to get an entry blank. All entries have to be in the YMCA by Friday night, at which time drawings will be made to fix opponents for the tournament games.

Prizes will be awarded to members of the winning team and the runnerup team. Individual trophies will be awarded to members of an all-tournament team which will be picked by the tournament committee. A trophy will also be presented to the player who in the opinion of the committee members was the most valuable during tournament games. The trophies are now on display in the YMCA lobby.

The committee members are Seeders, Edward Y. Good, Dave Mauger, Gerald Hospodar and Donald Goodnow, physical director of the YMCA.

In addition to the cage tourney, the YMCA will also sponsor a foul

CHAMP FORCED TO LOSE WEIGHT FOR TITLE FIGHT

Robinson 12 Pounds Too Heavy With Bout Only Five Days Away

DETROIT, Dec. 14 (AP)—Two battles loom this week for Ray (Sugar) Robinson, the world's welterweight champion.

Robinson is scheduled to put the title he won a year ago on the line Friday night at Olympia in a 15-round bout against Chuck Taylor of Coalport, Pa.

But before Robinson, one-time Detroit, can get in the ring, there's a little matter of weight, and it promises to figure heavily in the title fight.

Taylor's manager, Jake Laken, is prepared to claim the title by default if Robinson, who arrived here weighing 159 pounds, fails to make the 147-pound limit.

"Well, more in it he's an ounce over," Laken declared. "We've got other contracts. Each of us put up \$5000 to guarantee weight and appearance. My guy'll make it. If the champion doesn't, it'll be too bad for him."

Robinson, realizing the seriousness of the situation, declared yesterday, "I'll make it if I have to cut off an arm."

shooting tournament. Any member of the YMCA who can shoot fives can enter the tourney. This contest will start today and will close next Monday night when the six highest foul shooters will compete in the finals.

BASKETBALL SCORES

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| Penn State | 63 | Washington Jefferson | 49 |
| Georgetown Univ | 61 | St. Johns (Bkn) | 59 |
| LaSalle | 60 | Arkansas | 58 |
| Navy | 67 | Joins Hopkins | 32 |
| Muhlenberg | 56 | American Univ | 34 |
| Virginia | 50 | Y. Lestown | 45 |
| Iowa | 53 | North Dakota | 47 |
| Oso University | 73 | Marquette | 44 |
| Pa. State | 62 | St. Mary's (Calif) | 39 |
| DePa | 71 | Oaklahoma | 61 |
| Kentucky | 67 | Cincinnati | 31 |
| Ohio State | 62 | Marquette | 70 |
| Notre Dame | 61 | Northwestern | 43 |
| Illinois | 70 | Pitt | 30 |
| Michigan | 73 | W. Michigan | 33 |
| So. California | 62 | St. Mary's (Calif) | 39 |
| San Francisco | 38 | Utah | 37 |
| San Jose | 64 | Nevada | 60 |
| California | 58 | California Aggies | 42 |
| Carleton | 49 | Aired | 47 |
| Providence | 40 | Wagner | 37 |
| Bloomington | 44 | West Chester | 36 |
| St. Louis | 44 | Louisiana State | 43 |
| Montclair Tenn | 64 | Drew | 52 |
| Maine | 53 | Bates | 41 |
| Harvard | 53 | Tufts | 42 |
| St. Bonaventure | 64 | Seranton | 27 |
| Siena | 49 | Valparaiso | 42 |
| Fordham | 53 | Rensselaer | 42 |
| Co. state | 40 | Cornell | 35 |
| Union | 44 | Vermont | 39 |
| Lafayette | 44 | East Stroudsburg | 30 |
| Moran | 49 | Penna Military | 78 |
| Buffalo Univ | 62 | Hamat | 43 |
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Local Hunters Successful On One-Day Doe Season

Thirteen days of deer hunting ended in Pennsylvania Saturday with Stowe hunters grabbing the limelight of the one-day doe season. Six of the 12 doe reported killed by local hunters Saturday fell from blasts of guns belonging to Stowe residents.

The 12 doe killed, plus another buck reported killed the past week, brings the total number of deer killed by Pottstown and surrounding area hunters to 52 in 13 days.

The late report of killing a buck came from Leonard Biehl, 51 West Main street, South Pottstown. Biehl reported bagging a 6-pointer in the mountains near Lock Haven the past week.

A woman and a 14-year-old boy were among the local hunters who bagged a doe Saturday. The woman was Naomi Hunsinger, 543 Spruce street, Pottstown. She needed only one shot to bring to earth a 120 pound doe while hunting in Lycoming county. It was her first year of hunting.

She was in a party that brought back two other doe besides the one she claimed. Roy Endy, Glasgow street, Stowe, killed a 110 pounder and Henry Hall, another Glasgow street resident, reported shooting a 130 pound doe. Other members of the party were Doug Reigner, L. Hunsinger, Howard Snyder and Wallace Reigner.

The 14-year-old boy who was successful in bagging a doe was Carl Missimer, 509 North Hanover street. The youthful hunter reported it was his first year of hunting and he needed only one shot to get his doe. The deer, weighing 75 pounds when dressed, was shot in Pike county.

Gordon Harp, Pottstown RD 2, reported bringing to earth a 100 pound doe while hunting near Williamsport Saturday.

The other Stowe hunters who were successful Saturday were Tony Ciori, 403 Center street; Peter Dori, 524 Race street; Don Malescio, 319 Race street, and Len Magliocchetti, 421 Race street.

Ciori bagged a doe that tipped the scales at 110 pounds when dressed while Dori's deer weighed 100 pounds when dressed. Malescio's deer also weighed 100 pounds when dressed as did Magliocchetti's doe. All four Stowe hunters bagged their does in Bradford county while hunting with Joe Ciori, Albert Basile and Joe

The Gatineau - One of Canada's Newest & Most Thrilling Ski Attractions

QUEBEC, P.Q. . . . (1947) . . . One of the newest and most charming of Eastern Canada's winter sport centers has been growing for a long time in the Gatineau area, not far from Ottawa. Under the supervision of one of the oldest and largest ski groups in America, the venerable Ottawa Ski Club, the hills of the Gatineau district are being re-vamped, expanded and improved to make this part of the country one of the top ski areas of the nation.

The history of skiing in Ottawa and the resultant opening of the Gatineau has been interesting from the viewpoint of its development. Skiing in the early days was, of course, chiefly built around two phases of the sport here as elsewhere—namely jumping and cross-country. It was not until the fad of downhill and slalom came about and were dressed up in the right atmosphere, that "Skiing America" really took on size and substance.

Ottawa and the Gatineau district long held a forefront position in jumping and slalom skiing, largely through 25 years of interest and planning by the late perennial president of the Ottawa Ski Club, C. E. Morteroux "Old Mort" who passed away last winter, organized and nurtured the Ottawa Ski Club, which in turn, set up the most extensive trail skiing system in America, only a few miles from the Canadian capital. When downhill and slalom skiing took over, the Gatineau district was hardly used by anyone but the most ardent skiers in Ottawa district.

Today, keenly aware of the beauty and value of this grand hill area, Ottawa ski zealots are not in pursuit of other parts of Quebec and the east, in providing lodges, and ski lifts for a growing host of American ski enthusiasts. Ottawa has long produced the top grade of ski racer in Canada, despite the accent upon trail skiing that was always part of the sport thereabouts, but experts point out that anyone who learned to ski over the miles and miles of superbly-marked Ottawa trails had to learn to handle his skis with the best of them. This training has accounted for the fact that Ottawa's skiers are today among the tops on the continent. It is a wonderful experience to ski the trails and to explore the glorious Gatineau, today fully equipped to handle a large ski tourist trade, which now attracts American visitors to the area in increasing numbers. Visitors like the proximity of this district to leading U.S.A. populated centres.

Demaret Wins at Miami



Jimmy Demaret of Ojai, Calif., chips to within a few feet of the pin on the 18th green at Miami, Fla., yesterday. The veteran pro golfer finished the final round with a one-under-par 69, giving him a 72-hole total of 267, which was good enough to win the Miami Open Golf tournament.

Tall Reading High Center Ruined Trojans' Chances of Winning

"Good defensive play kept the Trojans in the game against Reading Friday night, and if Brower Yeger had been near the size of Connie Dettling (big Reading center), Pottstown would have won," commented Coach Ed Good last night in an interview concerning his Pottstown High cage team.

"Yeger did a great job of playing the giant center in his first experience of guarding an opponent of that size," the Trojan mentor went on to say, pointing out that Dettling, who scored 22 points against Pottstown is six-feet, five-inches tall. Yeger stands around the six-foot mark.

Good and Captain Stan Stolar scouted the Red Knights the past Wednesday night when Coach Charley Dunkelberger's charges trounced a weak St. Clair quintet, 73-24. At that game, Good and Stolar saw Reading's two strong points, and the Trojan mentor and captain worked to stop those weapons.

Good declared, "Reading's strength is based on two points. First—fast break. Second—an offense with a figure eight and all scoring plays going down the middle. Thompson was the man who was breaking down the floor on fast breaks and Stolar agreed to cover the tall Reading cager on the breaks."

"He did a swell job holding him to one field goal and breaking up Reading's main offense," Good said. "As for the other players, Good said, "Bobby Mauger played Mike Kemp to a standstill for three periods. In

West Chester Triumphs Over Club Century

Joe Young hit the cords for 11 points for the Club Century Saturday night, but his four field goals and three fouls weren't enough to help the local quintet as the West Chester Community center cagers took a 43-36 decision in an exhibition game played at West Chester.

West Chester jumped into an early lead and were still in front when the first period ended, 8-7. The visitors matched their seven points in the second quarter and held West Chester to six, deadlocking the count at 14-14 when the two teams left the floor at intermission.

The little rest must have done the visitors some good, for in the third period, 15 points dropped through the hoop putting the Club Century on the long end of a 29-28 score. The home team, however, saved all its power for the final period, and the visitors did all they could to keep the West Chester combine from scoring more than 15 points. The Pottstown quintet tabbed seven markers in the fourth period.

| West Chester | G | F | P | Club Century | G | F | P |
|--------------|----|----|----|--------------|----|---|----|
| Milbourne, f | 2 | 1 | 5 | Dooler, f | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ray, f | 1 | 2 | 4 | W. Corum, f | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Irons, f | 0 | 0 | 0 | Young, f | 1 | 2 | 11 |
| C. Glasco, f | 1 | 0 | 2 | White, c | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Gallimore, c | 4 | 4 | 12 | Hatcher, c | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Keller, g | 0 | 0 | 0 | Ross, g | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| R. Glasco, g | 1 | 0 | 2 | J. Corum, g | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Harris, g | 2 | 1 | 5 | Walton, g | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Garnett, g | 5 | 0 | 10 | Brown, g | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Johnson, g | 0 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Totals | 16 | 11 | 43 | Totals | 14 | 8 | 36 |

West Chester..... 43
Club Century..... 36
Referee—Johnson. Timer—Williams.
Score—Ricketts.

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DURING OCTOBER TOUR of Munich, Germany, Senator Milton E. Young (left), N. D., inspects one of 2000 B-17 bombers reportedly demolished as surplus. Senate appropriations committee is investigating the report.



DETROIT Circuit Judge George B. Murphy rides in patrol wagon after being involved in a three-car accident while allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol.



HOSPITALIZED in Cleveland, Ohio, since she was burned on the day after Christmas three years ago, 12-year-old Loretta Ruikowski looks forward to spending this Christmas at home with her family. After the holiday, she faces two more years of hospital treatment.



UNDER BRITISH GUARD, Jews ride armored car through Jewish quarter of Jerusalem where rioting Arabs are protesting UN partition of the Holy Land.



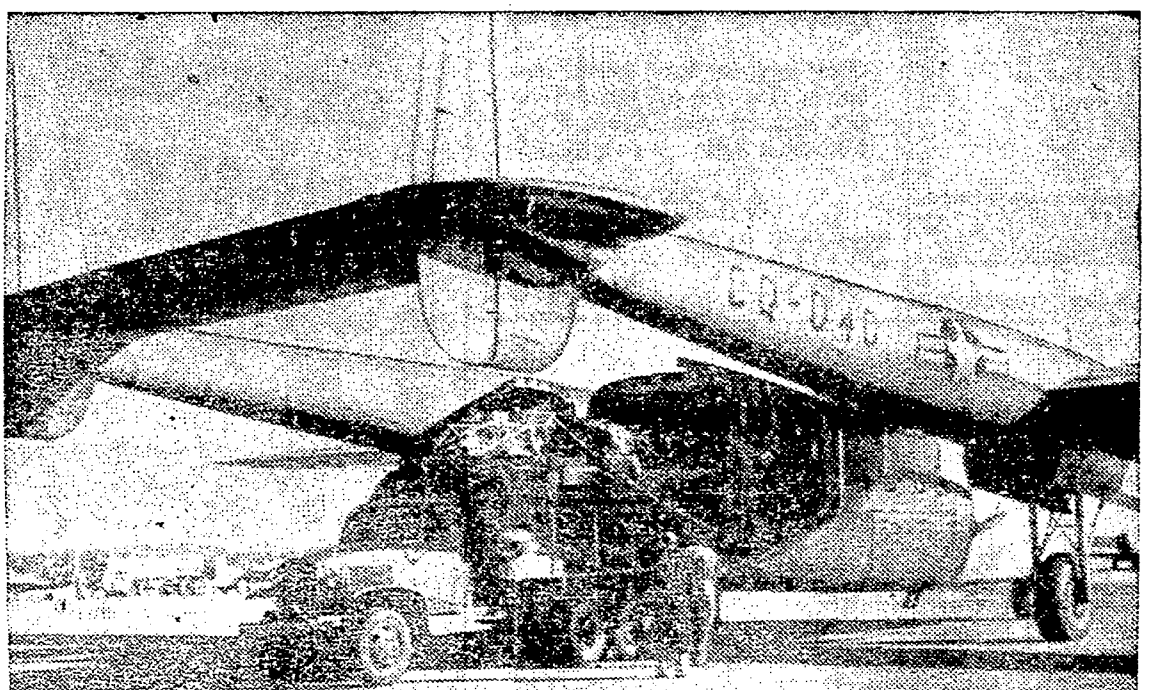
UN EMPLOYEES Maimie Lee of Shanghai (left) and Martha Botelho Baston of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, try out simultaneous interpretation sets by which delegates to the UN General assembly at Flushing, N. Y., hear speeches translated in their own language.



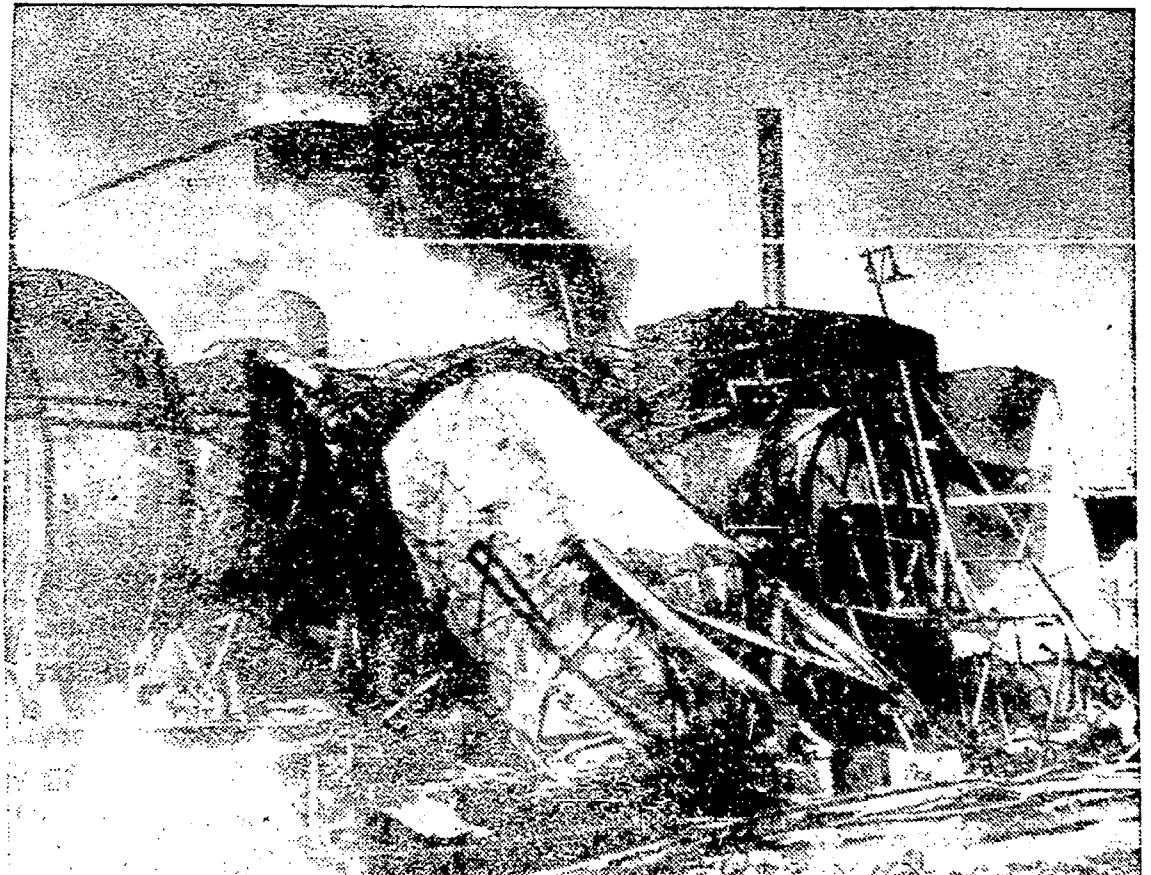
BITING HER TONGUE with determination, tiny Patricia Congilio 2, successfully walks on crutches with the aid of a nurse at Children's Memorial hospital in Chicago. The tot, whose left leg has been abnormally short from birth, will undergo surgery at the age of four in an attempt to correct her present condition.



AFTER operation to remove cataracts that blinded her six years ago, Mrs. Harold C. Starbuck sees her four-year-old daughter, Diane, for the first time in their Hartford, Conn., home.



A SIKORSKY R5 helicopter is loaded into a Fairchild C52 Packett at Westover Field, Chicopee, Mass., prior to takeoff for Goose Bay airfield in Labrador for rescue work on Army C54 transport plane which crashed with a reported 29 persons aboard.



SMOKE AND FLAMES pour from wrecked, twisted naphthalene tanks after a blast had littered the yards of the Reilly Tar and Chemical Corporation at Granite City, Ill. The city was shaken by the force of the explosion. Three employees were injured and damages were estimated to be \$400,000.

POPEYE

By Tom Sims & B. Zaboly



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BLIND Lee Koeppen and his partly sightless wife wrap Christmas presents for their children, one of whom is dying of cancer, as they seek a home in Chicago where family may be reunited for Christmas. At present, the children are separated from parents.



ACCORDING TO THE Journal of the American Medical Association, Richard Heyard, 14, of Louisville, Ohio, shown with his mother, was brought back to life after he "apparently died" during an operation on his chest at the Lakeside hospital, Cleveland. The technique used by the surgeons involved the massaging of the heart, the injection of a powerful drug into the heart and electric shock.



WHEN A FELLOW BEGINS to grow up, curls can cause him a lot of trouble. So Maurice Ruben's mom took the three-year-old to the barber in Detroit and here's the transformation. At left, he's shown before the barber went to work with his scissors. At right, the job is over.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deaths

CLAY - On Friday, Dec. 12, 1947, Rachel L. (nee Rhoads) wife of Alban Clay, aged 73 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from her late home, 432 Walnut St., Pottstown, Pa., on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 2 p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 8:30. (Houck)

FILMAN - At Warwick, Pa., Sunday, Dec. 14, 1947, Angie B. wife of Oscar N. Filman, in her 67th year. Funeral services private at Mauger's Funeral Home, 24 Monument Ave., Malvern, Pa., Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 1:30 p. m. Interment Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9. (Mauger)

LEVENGOD - On Saturday, Dec. 13, 1947, Georgianna (Bender) Levenood, wife of the late William B. Levenood, aged 74 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the funeral parlors of Wesley O. Harley, 404 High St., on Tuesday at 2 p. m. Interment in Falkner cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 9:30. (Harley)

WEISER - On Sunday, Dec. 14, James James Weiser, son of Thomas E. and Dorothy M. (nee Wenzel) Weiser, aged 1 year. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Pottstown, on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 2 p. m. Interment in Brown's cemetery. Chester Co. Friends may call Wednesday evening 7 to 8:30. (Houck)

Card of Thanks

WOCKLISH

The family of the late John Joseph Wocklish wishes to gratefully acknowledge the kindness and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

Persons

Individually Designed Spencer. Mrs. Irene Mentzer, 11 Walnut Street, Phone 1372-E or 1069-W.

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Spencer Corsetiers Phone 139-M or 872-M. 30 E. Third St.

Notice

7-A

Anyone know the whereabouts of a box of tools that disappeared from my wrecked car Thursday morning please call 209-W. John W. Yoder, RD. 2, Pottstown, Pa.

Strayed, Lost, Found

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LOST - Black and white male beagle, part terrier, vicinity of East End. Reward. Nathan P. Hoffman. Phone 732.

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Automobiles for Sale

1940 Mercury Club Coupe. Excellent condition. Clayton Garage on Route 100 1 mile north of Bally.

1935 Plymouth Coupe, heater, 2 new tires and tubes, new starter and generator. Phone 2234-R after 4 p. m.

1941 Dodge Deluxe, 4-door Sedan, R. & H. 678 Queen street. Phone 2545-J after 6 p. m.

1939 Packard Sedan, 1946 Motor, R. & H. 66 South Charlotte street. Phone 478-J.

1936 Chrysler Coupe. Apply 6 Ash street. Stowe. Phone 1416-W, between 9 a. m. and 1 p. m.

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38 Chevrolet Sedan

37 Ford Tudor

34 Ford Coupe

41 Plymouth Sedan

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40 Oldsmobile '40 2-dr. Sedan

41 Ford Club Coupe

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Chinese Red General Opens Offensive To Relieve Pressure on Trapped Army

NANKING, Dec. 14 (P)—A lightning thrust by Communist Gen. Chen Keng is critically threatening the Honan provincial capital of Kaifeng in an effort to relieve pressure on his comrade Gen. Liu Po-Cheng some 175 miles to the south, pro-government field dispatches acknowledged today.

The accounts reaching this Chinese capital said Chen's forces, appearing out of the blue, were 10,000 strong only 10 miles south of Kaifeng and were within a few miles in other unspecified directions.

Rail traffic to Chenghsien, 45 miles to the west, was suspended as government generals raced to Kaifeng in armored cars to plot a hasty defense.

Communist scouting parties and other government units were reported already fighting near the city. Kaifeng was put under martial law with a dusk-to-dawn curfew.

Government military sources in Nanking said Chen's intention obviously was to take the heat off Liu, the one-eyed raider whose army, variously estimated at 40,000 to 100,000, has been reported loosely surrounded in the rugged south Honan border area.

These quarters said, however, that the pressure on Liu was being in-

creased and that several small groups attempting to break westward across the Peiping-Hankow railway had been driven back eastward with casualties.

While Chen's move was described as a surprise, government commanders only two days ago had indicated their awareness of his dangerous possibilities by offering a billion-dollar (about \$6500 U. S.) reward for his capture. At that time he was believed to be operating many miles to the northeast.

(The Communist radio, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, made no mention of either Chen or Liu, but laid claim to a series of successes in the Shantung peninsula and around Tientsin and Tsingtao.

(The broadcasts said Communists had recaptured Kinkhsien and Kaomi, 45 and 62 miles northwest of Tsingtao, the port of Haiyang, 60 miles northeast of Tsingtao, and seven unidentified "strong points" west of Tientsin.)

The paper Hsin Min Pao said fighting had broken out near Chih-sien, in southwest Manchuria, where it said the Communists were massing for their seventh offensive in two years. Actually, the Manchurian Winter made major operations problematical.

FIRE RAZES WAREHOUSE
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Reports on India



Henry F. Grady (above), first American ambassador to India, said yesterday in New York that he was convinced that the communal disturbances in the independent states of India and Pakistan are over. Grady is in the United States to report to State department officials.

INDUSTRIALIST PASSES

LONDON, Dec. 14 (P)—Sir Hugh Cunliffe-Owen, Bart., 77, widely-known British industrialist, financier and race horse owner, died of a heart attack tonight at his home, Sunningdale park, near the Ascot race track.

U. S. Occupation Forces Leave Italy; Small Group Remains in Trieste Area

LEGHORN, Italy, Dec. 14 (P)—The last American occupation troops on Italian soil sailed today aboard the transport Admiral Sims exactly nine hours and 45 minutes ahead of the midnight deadline set for their departure by the peace treaty.

As they filed up the gangplank, the 97 officers and 1356 enlisted men brought to a close a military operation dating back to Sept. 9, 1943 when U. S. troops drove ashore in the Salerno area. This invasion of the Italian mainland closely followed the conquest of Sicily.

Now the only U. S. soldiers remaining behind of the tens of thousands who fought here during the war are members of a

small graves registration and liquidation unit in Rome, which was provided for under a special treaty provision.

(With Italy still facing the threat of difficulties from Communists, President Truman served notice last night the United States will consider "appropriate" measures for maintaining peace and security in Italy if Italian independence is threatened in the future.)

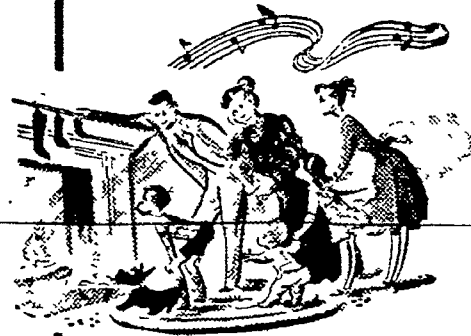
In the Free Territory of Trieste at the head of the Adriatic sea the U. S. 88th Division, formerly under the Mediterranean theater command, is on duty with British and Yugoslav troops.

This region was stripped from Italy under terms of the peace

treaty ratified the past Sept. 15. The treaty also provided a 90-day period for the evacuation of American

Ambassador James C. Dunn and a group of Italian army representatives attended a brief ceremony at the docks before the transport steamed out of Leghorn harbor. The American flag was lowered at 1:45 p. m. and the Italian flag then was raised.

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